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This staff is young in length of service, lacking in experience and training, and terrifically overworked by its own dedication. But we are gradually progressing from the original situation where we had the blind leading the blind, through the stage where we had the one-eyed leading the blind, to bettered circumstances where we have at least a few of the two-eyed leading the one-eyed who are leading the multitudes of the blind. We intend to go on from there until our whole army has a strong core of experienced and knowledgeable veterans. And our need for more members, to reduce further the odds against us, is still greater than our need for more training. In military language we have only one division in the field to each ten, or possibly even twenty, divisions of the enemy. But the fact that all we need is to grow exactly as we are, to work as hard as we are now doing along exactly the same lines, with exactly the same dedication and willingness to sacrifice for the cause which our members have already shown—it is this *potential* strength of The John Birch Society, and its potential ultimate huge contribution to a victory for freedom, that drives the Comsymps frantic in their efforts to destroy us.

12. *And finally, if we do not supply the firmness and leadership for overcoming this enemy, who will?*

We are not discounting at all the great and necessary contributions being made, to an awakening of the American people to the Communist menace, by dozens of excellent groups and hundreds of patriotic leaders. We honor them, and applaud their work. We are not overlooking for a minute the consecration of the truly religious people of America, and of their spiritual leaders, to the defeat of atheistic Communism. Without their wholehearted participation and support The John Birch Society would be of no importance.

But some of the leaders are publishers, some writers, some lecturers or commentators. Some of the organizations are study groups, some put on schools to teach about Communism, some concentrate on specific objectives. Every church group or truly religious body is limited in some way in its activities or its approaches to the problem. None of the groups or leaders, in the churches or out, has a realistic action program or the organization to maintain one.

Throughout the world today there are literally tens of millions of individuals who would give their lives, instantly and willingly, to free their respective countries from the Communist tyranny. In the United States the big question, even with good patriots, is whether or not to endanger their social standing or "respectability," or chances of promotion, or even their comfort, for the cause of freedom. It is easier to save their consciences by joining some organization that goes through a lot of motions and engages in a lot of meetings and conversation, in opposition to Communism—all of which disturb the Communists about as much as firecrackers thrown at a battleship. For such "take-it-easy" patriots, until they are far more alarmed and more determined, The John Birch Society has little appeal. Our people know what the score is, and do not think that we can carry the ball in this game without getting mud spattered over us. Fully conscious of the labors and sacrifices required, they had rather play on our team than to stand on the sidelines and cheer for somebody else. They know that on their courage, steadfastness, energy, and determination now depends the fate of our country and the future of our children.

The John Birch Society is the rallying point for those who, knowing the power and nature of the enemy, still dare to face him down. We know that arguing about Communism is not enough, and that *we must stop the Communists*. This will take unceasing labor and unswerving courage, on all fronts, and through storms of attack which will get darker, stronger, and more vicious before the enemy is finally routed, and before the whole world can see light and freedom once again. We think that the goal is worth the cost, and that we have no other course. If you agree, *and if you have what it takes*, we invite you to get in touch with us or our representatives, to learn more about us, and then to apply for membership. When admitted you will find yourself in what averages to be—we truly believe—the finest body of men and women in the whole world today.

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1. *You will be proud of your membership.*

We seek to have associated with us only men and women of good character, good conscience, and religious ideals, as well as fervent patriotism. Simply being anti-Communist is not enough. We are a growing body of citizens, with a deep sense of responsibility, who are dedicated to saving for our children and their children as much as possible of the glorious country and humane civilization which we ourselves inherited.

2. *Our program is long-range and positive.*

It is our aim to bring about less government, more responsibility, and a better world. Our fight with the Communists is incidental to our major purposes. But the Communists seek, everywhere and always, more government, less individual responsibility, and a completely amoral world. They also seek, by conspiratorial means, to subjugate our nation and our people to the tyranny of the Kremlin. Our first and most urgent task, therefore, is to defeat and destroy the Communist conspiracy.

3. *We are fighting the Communists, nobody else.*

From the day the Society was founded we have worked with and supported, in every way practicable, all other anti-Communist groups and leaders. We have kept on doing so, right through extensive, repeated, and harmful criticisms of ourselves by some of those same leaders. We feel that the Conservative cause today simply cannot afford the normal luxury of human jealousy and rivalries. We are doing all we can to increase the cohesiveness and effectiveness of all the anti-Communist forces, and shall continue to do so.

4. *Membership increases but does not limit your patriotic labors.*

The John Birch Society concentrates on worthwhile projects in ten major categories of effort. Naturally we cannot initiate or support action on more than a small fraction of the projects suggested to us, or on which other groups are already working. Also, our activities usually deal with matters of national rather than regional interest. But of course any member can carry on any additional patriotic work that appeals to his own judgment and conscience. And especially with regard to local activities we expect our members to follow energetically the course of good citizenship.

5. *All you do as a member is magnified by concerted action.*

One telegram to a Congressman, one letter to an editor, one telephone call to a radio commentator, one protest against having some pro-Communist speaker foisted on your community, one request at your library for a certain book, one purchase of the products of a sponsor of any conservative television program—one lone separate act of any similar kind is like a grain of sand scattered to the wind. But when tens of thousands drop their grains of sand on the same pile at the same time, a bulwark can be created sufficiently high and strong to block the course of a whole left-wing advance.

6. *Our membership can move as a body promptly when needed.*

When Senator Thurmond wanted the Senate Armed Services Committee to undertake an investigation of the removal of General Walker and of the Fulbright intimidation program, the Society was among several patriotic groups which together poured 150,000 telegrams and letters into Washington on very short notice. We believe we may have accounted for a majority of those messages—and the investigation was voted. Even though we were quite small when *Newsweek* published an incredibly distorted article favorable to the Algerian FLN, our flood of protests obliged *Newsweek* editors to look more carefully into the situation and then admit they had been wrong. We can strike with the hammer of concerted action while an iron is hot.

7. *We are realists in the whole struggle.*

We are not fooled by any such nonsense as that Tito can be weaned away from his masters in the Kremlin; or that the Supreme Court doesn't know what it is doing when it is legislating contrary to the clearly expressed intent of our legislators; or that Adlai Stevenson is an inspired anti-Communist. We know that the worldwide Communist conspiracy made terrific gains during the eight years from 1953 through 1960, both internationally and within the United States itself—and that it is making even more rapid steps today towards total global conquest. Our undertaking is to expose this conspiracy and stop the conspirators, before it is too late. We are not just going through motions, and we mean business every foot of the way.

8. *The steps we take and actions we urge are practicable, with good prospects of either success or effectiveness.*

Each week we receive recommendations for dozens of projects, each of which usually seems to the member urging it to be the most important single need on the whole Cold War front. And almost all of them really are important. But we have many considerations to weigh, and most important is the likelihood of our accomplishing anything worth while with all of the labor of our members.

We have not believed, for instance, that there was the slightest chance of having our government take over Cuba and throw out Castro by military force. Nor of persuading the Administration to discard its idiotic "peace corps"; nor of getting the United Nations out of the United States at the present time; nor even of abolishing that monstrosity, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. And while campaigns on behalf of some of these objectives could serve excellent educational purposes, we have preferred other projects which seemed to us likely to have both greater educational impact and more chances of specific accomplishment, as well as other advantages.

9. *We do not think the struggle can be won by throwing sofa pillows at straw men.*

Our willingness to take an aggressive course, when total circumstances and considerations seem to us to weigh in its favor, is best illustrated by our *Movement To Impeach Earl Warren*. For the arguments in favor of that action include the following:

(a) Regardless of where Warren's personal sympathies lie, he has had—and still has—long continued, powerful, and open pro-Communist support. (Of one Warren-led Supreme Court decision a prominent Communist organizer and spokesman said: "This is the greatest victory the Communist Party ever had.") His impeachment would be a shattering blow to the morale of the extreme Left, and a tremendous encouragement to the Americanist forces. The specific objective, therefore, is of huge significance.

(b) The chances of actually accomplishing that objective, as small as they may seem, are probably greater than for any action of equal importance which the Comsymps oppose. We think that, by building up enough knowledge and understanding of the case, over a long enough period of time, it is entirely possible to generate the public pressure on the House of Representatives that will cause it to impeach Earl Warren. And so, obviously, does the Left Wing, or it would not fight and abuse the Movement with so much fervor.

(c) Far from undertaking any personal vilification of Warren, we have made it crystal clear that what we are aiming at is the usurpation by the Supreme Court, under Warren's leadership, of powers severely denied it by the Constitution. It is in no way practicable to try to impeach the whole Supreme Court simultaneously, and it is both logical and fair to bring impeachment proceedings first against the Chief Justice. We believe that the violation of his oath of office to uphold and support the Constitution of the United States, by decisions which visibly punched huge, ragged holes in that Constitution, supply ample legal grounds for the impeachment of Warren, and that no other grounds are necessary. Actually, the House of Representatives, like a grand jury, can bring impeachment proceedings for *any* cause which it considers sufficient, as was shown by Thomas Jefferson in the impeachment he obtained of Supreme Court Justice Chase. Conviction, and removal from office, in the trial by the Senate, is an entirely different matter in which, quite properly, we have taken no position.

(d) Even before obtaining impeachment, the MOVEMENT can produce many results beneficial to the Americanist cause. Just as Mr. Dooley said a hundred years ago that the Supreme Court reads the election returns the same as anybody else, so today we are sure the Supreme Court listens to the winds of opinion howling around it, the same as do other bodies. If those winds become strong enough and loud enough, we believe we shall see increasingly less deviation by the Supreme Court from its Constitutional duties, without waiting for any impeachment drive to come to a head.

(e) The opportunities for educational effort, provided by the MOVEMENT TO IMPEACH WARREN, are unbeatable. Already there are millions of Americans waking up to the vital differences between a republic and a democracy, to the fact that our Founding Fathers deliberately and most emphatically gave us a republic instead of a democracy, and to the further fact that for fifty years there has been a tremendous conspiratorial drive to change this nation into a democracy and to make the American people accept the change without even realizing it. Without the dramatization of this and other issues, through a cumulative effort for a specific objective which can readily be understood, it would have been far more difficult to bring one-fourth of the same good citizens to take any interest in identically these same issues.

(f) This is the first instance in a decade of the offensive being taken by the Americanist forces. The Comsymps long ago set the pattern, whereby they always have the initiative and pick the time and place of their attacks. As each new offensive is unleashed by them on some part of the front, the Americanist forces immediately leap to the defensive, recede somewhat, stand firm a while, draw back some more, and gradually give ground over any long period of time. But they never attack the positions already taken by the enemy. And in fighting always on the defensive, there is never any place to go *except back*—which is what the Comsymps count on in their strategy.

In this instance we have chosen the battleground, and gone on the offensive, which is what makes the whole Left Wing so angry and disturbed. We are not supposed to attack, but only to cringe and defend. But here, in the course of a long drawn-out struggle, it is we who call the turns, and decide when and where to make new sallies, to apply new pressures, to consolidate our position and wait for reinforcements, or to advance again on this whole segment of the Comsymp front. By doing so, not only do we accomplish many corollary objectives, but in *this* fight every major change in the position is in our favor. For we have put the Comsymps and their Liberal dupes and allies on the defensive, which is where they ought to be.

(g) And we have carefully chosen a very vulnerable spot of the enemy, against which to launch this determined and sustained attack. For there is simply no way that the Comsymps and Liberals can defend the actions of the Supreme Court since Warren became Chief Justice without making clear to any informed observer that what they really want is to change completely our whole form of government and destroy our marvelous inheritance.

10. *The John Birch Society is the one movement which the Communists fear.*

They themselves have stated, in their official publications for the faithful (and not intended for the American people), that The John Birch Society is the core and leader of a movement from the "Right" which is a greater danger to Communism than was Senator McCarthy. (Which we consider a very high compliment.)

In December, 1960, Moscow issued a directive that anti-Communist groups must be destroyed in 1961. As was made clear in the booklet, *The New Drive Against The Anti-Communist Program*, issued by the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, The John Birch Society has borne the brunt of that whole attack in America.

Pursuant to the orders from Moscow, the Communist *People's World*, of San Francisco, by an editorial published on February 25, 1961, set off a smear campaign against us which was picked up and repeated in more than a hundred Liberal newspapers throughout the country. Since then the Communist *Worker* has attacked us continuously, at times carrying different smears against us on as many as six pages out of sixteen in one issue. The extreme Liberal Press throughout the world, in Mexico, in all of Latin America, in France, in Germany, in England, have all warned their readers everywhere of the danger from The John Birch Society. And on September 23, 1961, *Nedelya*, which is the weekly supplement to the official Soviet journal, *Izvestia*, published in Moscow, used a whole page to blast us. (In Russian, of course, and it cost us twenty-six dollars to get the long diatribe translated!)

So far the Moscow directive has not been carried out, because we rather firmly refuse to be destroyed. But we feel that all of this attention by the comrades to our activities, and especially to our potential growth, has been well earned. And we hope to earn it even more conclusively in the future.

11. *The comrades have reason to worry about The John Birch Society.*

In this life-and-death struggle there is no time for modesty. We give you simply and factually, therefore, some of the reasons why the Communists fear us.

(a) We are not just a study group. Since we are an army fighting with facts as our weapons, we know that to be better informed is to be better armed. So we heartily approve of anti-Communist study groups, for our members and all other good citizens. But we ourselves have a definite and aggressive action program, which is limited in its effectiveness only by our size. We have a formula for winning this struggle by means and efforts which, while widely varied and in many different categories, are basically educational; but which are bound to lead ultimately, through the information, understanding, and inspiration we supply, to political action on the part of a gradually aroused public which will break up the whole Communist conspiracy into helpless pieces. And we do not have to change a comma in our action program, and the Communists know it. All we have to do is to keep right on growing—in a race to become large enough before the Communists become all-powerful enough in this country to stop us by force.

(b) We have also developed an organizational formula that *works*. Neither by threatened investigations, nor by attempted ridicule, nor by infiltration, nor by insidious efforts to foment internal dissension, nor by the total smear campaign against us, have the Communists and their dupes and allies been able even to fracture the solidity of our tightly knit and growing organization. And again, we do not have to change our formula one iota. We need only to keep it working until we achieve sufficient size.

The Communists now have hundreds of thousands of actual enemy "troops" scattered throughout our land, all the more dangerous because they do not wear uniforms and are, in most cases, unidentifiable. They are fighting an actual war, right on our soil, right now, for the subjugation of our country and the physical enslavement of our citizens. Their weapons are propaganda, prestige, *money*, and all the levers of pressure and power short of *open* military force.

The John Birch Society, as small as we are, has the only organized force of any size in the nation, opposing this enemy with the same kind of weapons. (A growing effort of many command officers in our military services to use our uniformed forces and military strength to fight this enemy with educational and propaganda weapons has just been completely stopped by Senator Fulbright and all of the sinister influences behind him.) We not only have an army, tightly organized and firmly directed—with only love and loyalty to enforce control—but we have a paid and professional staff in the field.

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OF

HON. JOHN H. ROUSSELOT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 12, 1962

Mr. ROUSSELOT. Mr. Speaker, many of my colleagues have questioned me concerning the beliefs and principles of the John Birch Society. For their benefit, under unanimous consent I insert those beliefs and principles in the Appendix of the RECORD.

GENERAL BELIEFS AND PRINCIPLES OF THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

I

With very few exceptions the members of the John Birch Society are deeply religious people. A member's particular faith is entirely his own affair. Our hope is to make better Catholics, better Protestants, better Jews—or better Moslems—out of those who belong to the society. Our never-ending concern is with morality, integrity, and purpose. Regardless of the differences between us in creed and dogma, we all believe that man is endowed by a Divine Creator with an innate desire and conscious purpose to improve both his world and himself. We believe that the direction which constitutes improvement is clearly visible and identifiable throughout man's known history, and that this God-given upward reach in the heart of man is a composite conscience to which we all must listen.

II

We believe that the Communists seek to drive their slaves and themselves along exactly the opposite and downward direction, to the Satanic debasement of both man and his universe. We believe that communism is as utterly incompatible with all religion as it is contemptuous of all morality and destructive of all freedom. It is intrinsically evil. It must be opposed, therefore, with equal firmness, on religious grounds, moral grounds, and political grounds. We believe that the continued coexistence of communism and a Christian-style civilization on one planet is impossible. The struggle between them must end with one completely triumphant and the other completely destroyed. We intend to do our part, therefore, to halt, weaken, rout, and eventually to bury, the whole international Communist conspiracy.

III

We believe that means are as important as ends in any civilized society. Of all the falsehoods that have been so widely and deliberately circulated about us, none is so viciously untrue as the charge that we are willing to condone foul means for the sake

of achieving praiseworthy ends. We think that communism as a way of life, for instance, is completely wrong; but our ultimate quarrel with the Communists is that they insist on imposing that way of life on the rest of us by murder, treason, and cruelty rather than by persuasion. Even if our own use of force ever becomes necessary and morally acceptable because it is in self-defense, we must never lose sight of the legal, traditional, and humanitarian considerations of a compassionate civilization. The Communists recognize no such compulsions, but this very ingredient of amoral brutishness will help to destroy them in the end.

IV

We believe in patriotism. Most of us will gladly concede that a parliament of nations, designed for the purpose of increasing the freedom and ease with which individuals, ideals, and goods might cross national boundaries, would be desirable. And we hope that in some future decade we may help to bring about such a step of progress in man's pursuit of peace, prosperity, and happiness. But we feel that the present United Nations was designed by its founders for the exactly opposite purpose of increasing the rigidity of Government controls over the lives and affairs of individual men. We believe it has become, as it was intended to become, a major instrumentality for the establishment of a one-world Communist tyranny over the population of the whole earth. One of our most immediate objectives, therefore, is to get the United States out of the United Nations, and the United Nations out of the United States. We seek thus to save our own country from the gradual and piecemeal surrender of its sovereignty to this Communist-controlled supergovernment, and to stop giving our support to the steady enslavement of other people through the machinations of this Communist agency.

V

We believe that a constitutional Republic, such as our Founding Fathers gave us, is probably the best of all forms of government. We believe that a democracy, which they tried hard to obviate, and into which the liberals have been trying for 50 years to convert our Republic, is one of the worst of all forms of government. We call attention to the fact that up to 1928 the U.S. Army Training Manual still gave our men in uniform the following quite accurate definition, which would have been thoroughly approved by the Constitutional Convention that established our Republic. "Democracy: A Government of the masses. Authority derived through mass meeting or any form of direct expression results in mobocracy. Attitude toward property is communistic—negating property rights. Attitude towards law is that the will of the majority shall regulate, whether it be based upon deliberation or governed by passion, prejudice, and impulse,

without restraint or regard to consequences. Results in demagogism, license, agitation, discontent, anarchy." It is because all history proves this to be true that we repeat so emphatically: "This is a Republic, not a democracy; let's keep it that way."

VI

We are opposed to collectivism as a political and economic system, even when it does not have the police-state features of communism. We are opposed to it no matter whether the collectivism be called socialism or the welfare state or the New Deal or the Fair Deal or the New Frontier, or advanced under some other semantic disguise. And we are opposed to it no matter what may be the framework or form of government under which collectivism is imposed. We believe that increasing the size of government, increasing the centralization of government, and increasing the functions of government all act as brakes on material progress and as destroyers of personal freedom.

VII

We believe that even where the size and functions of government are properly limited, as much of the power and duties of government as possible should be retained in the hands of as small governmental units as possible, as close to the people served by such units as possible. For the tendencies of any governing body to waste, expansion, and despotism all increase with the distance of that body from the people governed; the more closely any governing body can be kept under observation by those who pay its bills and provide its delegated authority, the more honestly responsible it will be. And the diffusion of governmental power and functions is one of the greatest safeguards against tyranny man has yet devised. For this reason it is extremely important in our case to keep our township, city, County and State governments from being bribed and coerced into coming under one direct chain of control from Washington.

VIII

We believe that for any people eternal vigilance is the price of liberty far more as against the insidious encroachment of internal tyranny than against the danger of subjugation from the outside or from the prospect of any sharp and decisive revolution. In a republic we must constantly seek to elect and to keep in power a government we can trust, manned by people we can trust, maintaining a currency we can trust, and working for purposes we can trust (none of which we have today). We think it is even more important for the government to obey the laws than for the people to do so. But for 30 years we have had a steady stream of governments which increasingly have regarded our laws and even our Constitution as mere pieces of paper, which should not be allowed to stand in the way of what they, in their omniscient benevolence, considered to

be "for the greatest good of the greatest number." (Or in their power-seeking plans pretended so to believe.) We want a restoration of a "government of laws, and not of men" in this country; and if a few impeachments are necessary to bring that about, then we are all for the impeachments.

IX

We believe that in a general way history repeats itself. For any combination of causes, similar to an earlier combination of causes, will lead as a rule to a combination of results somewhat similar to the one produced before. And history is simply a series of causes which produced results, and so on around cycles as clearly discernible as any of the dozens that take place elsewhere in the physical and biological sciences. But we believe that the most important history consists not of the repetitions but of the changes in these recurring links in the series. For the changes mark the extent to which man

has either been able to improve himself and his environment, or has allowed both to deteriorate, since the last time around. We think that this true history is largely determined by ambitious individuals (both good and evil) and by small minorities who really know what they want. And in the John Birch Society our sense of gratitude and responsibility (to God and to the noble men of the past), for what we have inherited makes us determined to exert our influence, labor, and sacrifice for changes which we think will constitute improvement.

X

In summary, we are striving, by all honorable means at our disposal and to the limits of our energies and abilities, to bring about less government, more responsibility, and a better world. Because the Communists seek, always and everywhere, to bring about more government, less individual responsibility, and a completely amoral world, we would have to oppose them at every turn, even on the philosophical level. Because

they are seeking through a gigantically organized conspiracy to destroy all opposition, we must fight them even more aggressively on the plane of action. But our struggle with the Communists, while the most urgent and important task before us today, is basically only incidental to our more important long-range and constructive purposes. For that very reason we are likely to be more effective against the Communists than if we were merely an ad hoc group seeking to expose and destroy so huge and powerful a gang of criminals. In organization, dedication, and purpose we offer a new form of opposition to the Communists which they have not faced in any other country. We have tried to raise a standard to which the wise and the honest can repair. We welcome all honorable allies in this present unceasing war. And we hope that once they and we and millions like us have won a decisive victory at last, many of these same allies will join us in our long look toward the future.

John Birch Society Investigated

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

OF

HON. JOHN H. ROUSSELOT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 14, 1962

Mr. ROUSSELOT. Mr. Speaker, the Efficiency Research Bureau, a private investigating firm, has completed a thorough investigation of the John Birch Society in Orange County, Calif. Findings of the Bureau are reported in the March 1962, issue of the Santa Ana Register, a newspaper published in Orange County. I believe the findings will be of interest to my colleagues. Under unanimous consent I place the report which appeared in the Register in the Appendix of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

The report follows:

JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY INVESTIGATED

A private investigating firm, Efficiency Research Bureau, 800 South Harbor Boulevard, Anaheim, conducted a thorough investigation of the John Birch Society in Orange County, Calif. Efficiency Research Bureau was hired by the president of a local manufacturing firm to make an impartial study.

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A five-man team of investigators, including a Negro clergyman, sat in on numerous Birch meetings and accumulated a wealth of data on the organization and its operation. The following are the 14 conclusions to which the investigating team came, based upon their extensive research:

1. Many of the allegations and rumors against the John Birch Society could not be supported by fact.
2. The John Birch Society is an anti-Communist movement open to anyone interested in joining or attending meetings.
3. It's not a secret organization, but rather groups meeting for discussion of views and ways in which to fight the international Communist conspiracy.
4. The majority of John Birch Society members don't support or agree with many of the statements of Robert Welch, the society's founder; they seldom disagree with him on policy.
5. Each chapter is independent and each member cooperates with chapter, State and national views according to the dictates of his own conscience.
6. Efficiency Research Bureau investigators attending these meetings have found groups as small as 15 and as large as 59 at a single meeting. About 15 seemed to be preferred.
7. All indications show that the John Birch Society anti-Communist movement is growing continuously and steadily.

8. Utilizing both white and colored investigators, it was learned the John Birch Society isn't anti-Semitic, anti-Negro, or anti any religious group. That they, in fact, have chapters comprised entirely of colored membership. Also, it was found John Birch Society has Jewish members on the national advisory council.

9. Investigators found no evidence of violence or unlawful activity engaged in by the John Birch Society.

10. Investigators did learn that there were individuals who carried personal prejudices with them into the organization. It was learned John Birch Society works to isolate persons with such prejudice. If a whole chapter is found to share certain prejudices the area coordinators try to disseminate such groups.

11. Investigators learned there is a John Birch Society major coordinator for Orange, Los Angeles, and San Bernardino Counties and he has two coordinators directly under him.

12. Investigators expected to find a dictatorship and didn't find it.

13. The society as a whole works very hard to make sure that John Birch Society isn't used as a vehicle to promote prejudices.

14. Investigative work included checking out documented information by factfinding groups which is used as a basis for some John Birch Society work.

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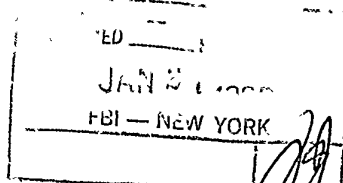
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They need it. The Communists know, as the American people do not, that the city and community police forces now constitute one of the most important remaining obstacles to the gradual, insidious, and at first invisible, establishment of the mechanics of their Communist police state. The local working police are the best friends everywhere, of anti-Communists like ourselves, because they constantly run up against all of the dirty tactics of the Communists, and of the dupes and allies of the Communists, in their respective areas.

For this reason there has been a subtle, but now increasingly bolder and more extensive effort, to harass and discredit local police forces and their individual members, going on in the country for more than a decade. Just one illustration was the CBS television show, The Biography Of A Bookie Joint, which was designed to make all working "cops" look like grafting burns; and which has been proved by a thorough later investigation to have been basically as phony as was the "interview" with your Founder in Santa Barbara two years ago, that CBS broadcast all over the country. (We revealed the true facts about this incredibly dirty and deliberate distortion in an earlier bulletin, and reprinted those paragraphs in a thin leaflet as The Story Of A Hoax.) And we could fill this bulletin with other illustrations.

This support of their local police by all good citizens everywhere is going to become especially important now that Communist-inspired racial riots are getting to be a regular part of the American scene. The police will be "crucified" by the Liberals, in the press and over the airwaves, for practically everything they do in the line of duty. And this will be true no matter how circumspectly they handle themselves, nor with what careful restraint they use their authority, in connection with every large or small outbreak of civil disorder which the Communist plotters can produce.

Nor will the Communists nor even their Liberal dupes leave to chance the supply of grist for their mills of distortion. The police chief of Birmingham was doing a superb job of maintaining law and order in the midst of a hot situation, while letting thousand of Negroes march and hundreds of white people protest all they wished. He merely set up a line of police, protected by their police dogs, to keep the two groups apart. And peace was maintained day after day, while the level heads of the city, both white and colored, got together and tried to solve the problems underlying the turmoil. But this was the last thing that the instigators of the trouble wanted; and when incidents didn't arise, incidents had to be created. So a carefully planned tableau was enacted. While cameras were poised and ready to catch the show at the right instant, one or more hotheads or dupes among the Negroes went up to the line and deliberately kicked one or more of the dogs. The result was a

picture, plastered in the papers all over the United States (and on the front page of the Boston Herald, of course), of a policeman barely holding onto a dog which was straining at the leash to attack a Negro among the Birmingham "civil rights" advocates in Birmingham.

There were no other results of the incident except the picture, which was the glorious piece of propaganda that the Communists wanted. But it shows you what the police will be up against everywhere in simply trying, as calmly as possible under the circumstances, to maintain law and order. The Federal Marshals, for another illustration, not only were not needed in Oxford, Mississippi for that purpose, but actually created most of the rioting -- as they obviously were intended to do. But of course the more the local police, anywhere or everywhere, can be discredited, the more willing the gullible American people will be to accept the entry of Federal troops as necessary to put down rioting.

Among the more carefully plotted schemes for harassing the police, discrediting individual policemen, and discouraging all those who might want to do their duty, has been the setting up of Police Review Boards -- to which many gullible dogooders and bleeding hearts have been giving support. Their chief function, in practice anyway if not in theory, is to make every individual police officer scared to death, as to every action he takes even in dealing with vicious criminals in emergency situations, of being called before some board weeks or months later, and condemned with loss of pay or maybe loss of job, for having been too unkind to the poor wayward unfortunates who were about to shoot him in the back, or stamp in his face, when he tried to interfere with their waywardness.

We shall return to this whole theme in later bulletins. At present we suggest simply that you

(a) Oppose the continuance or establishment of Police Review Boards.

(b) When you come across questionable criticism of your local police by some Liberal editor or nice-Nellie commentator, find out the real facts if you can. Usually the fellow officers of those being criticized will give you the unvarnished truth. Then if you find the criticism to have been unjustified, write and put the record straight.

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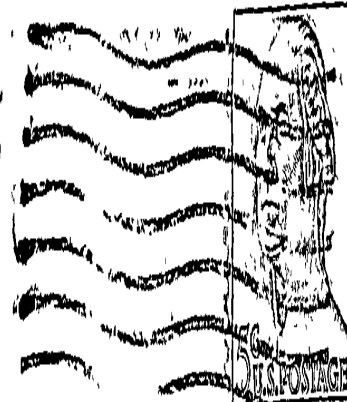
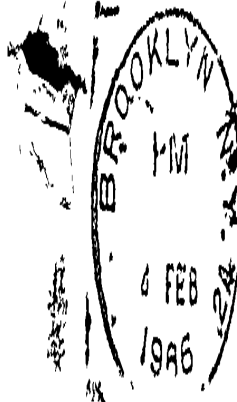
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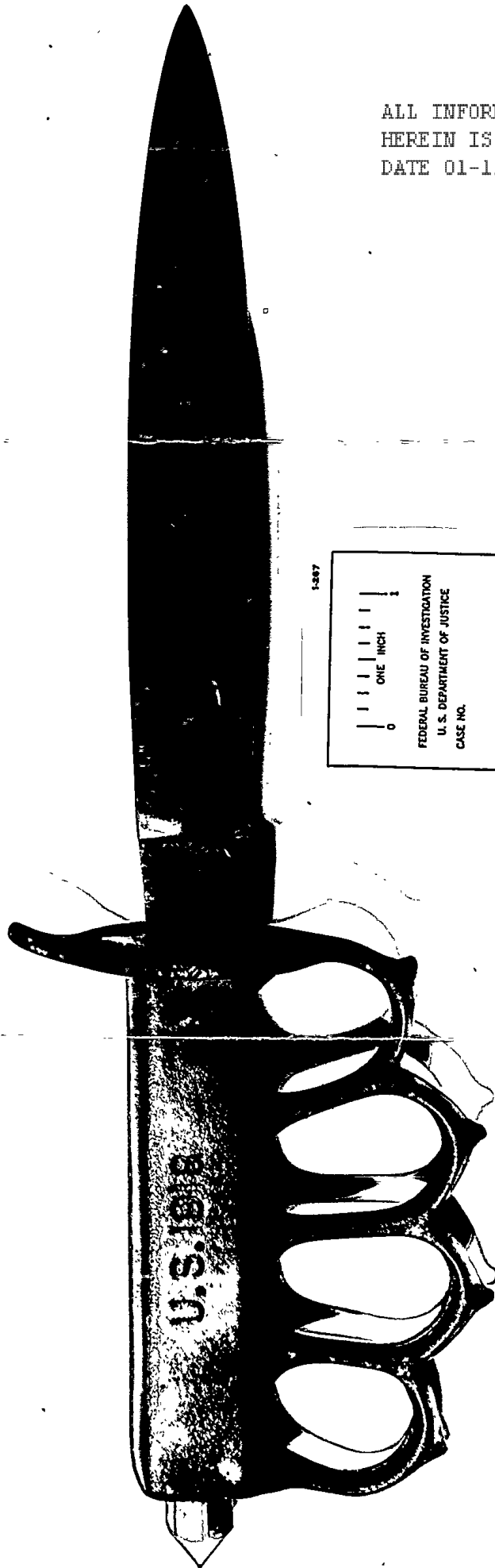
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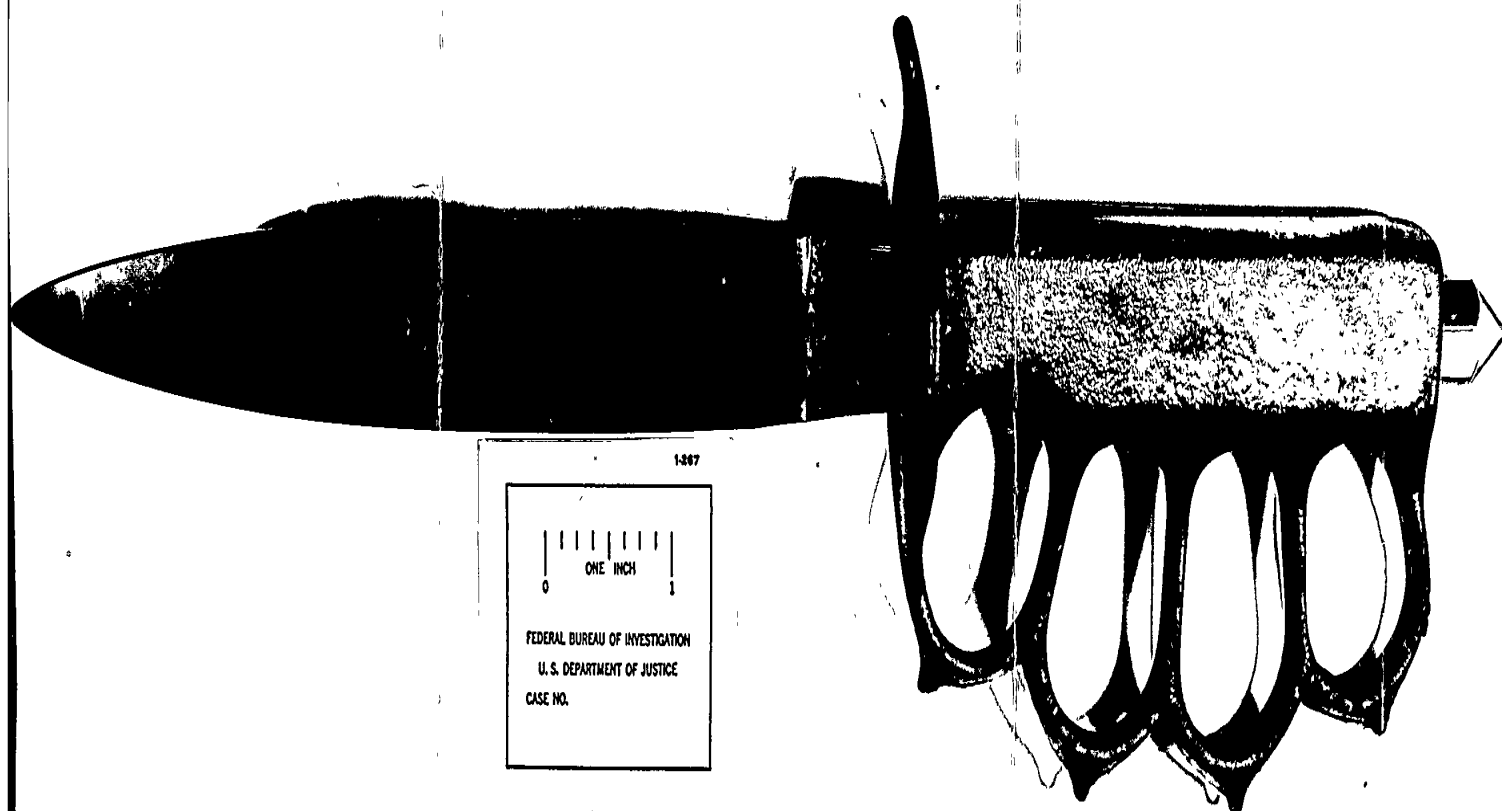
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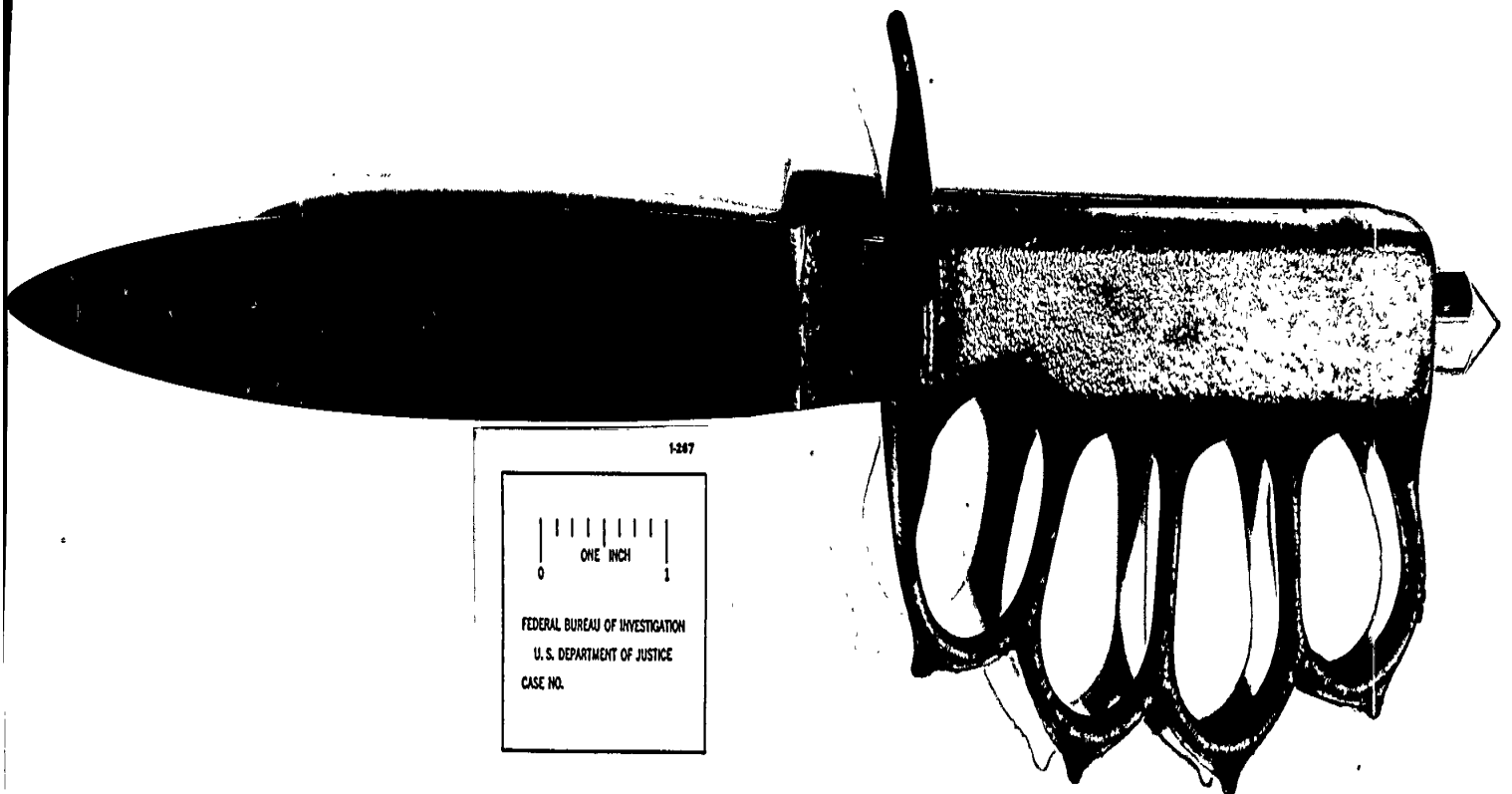
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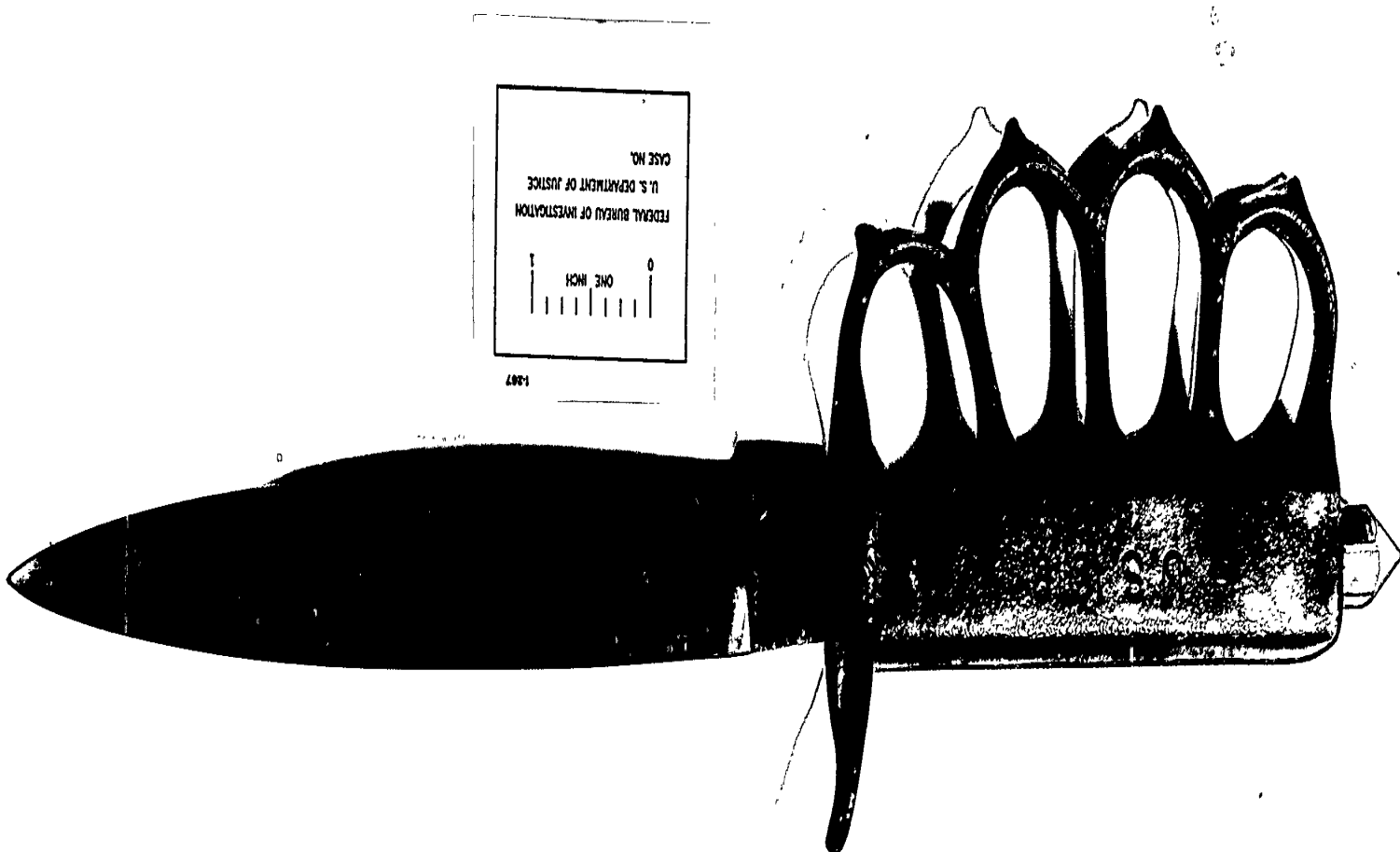
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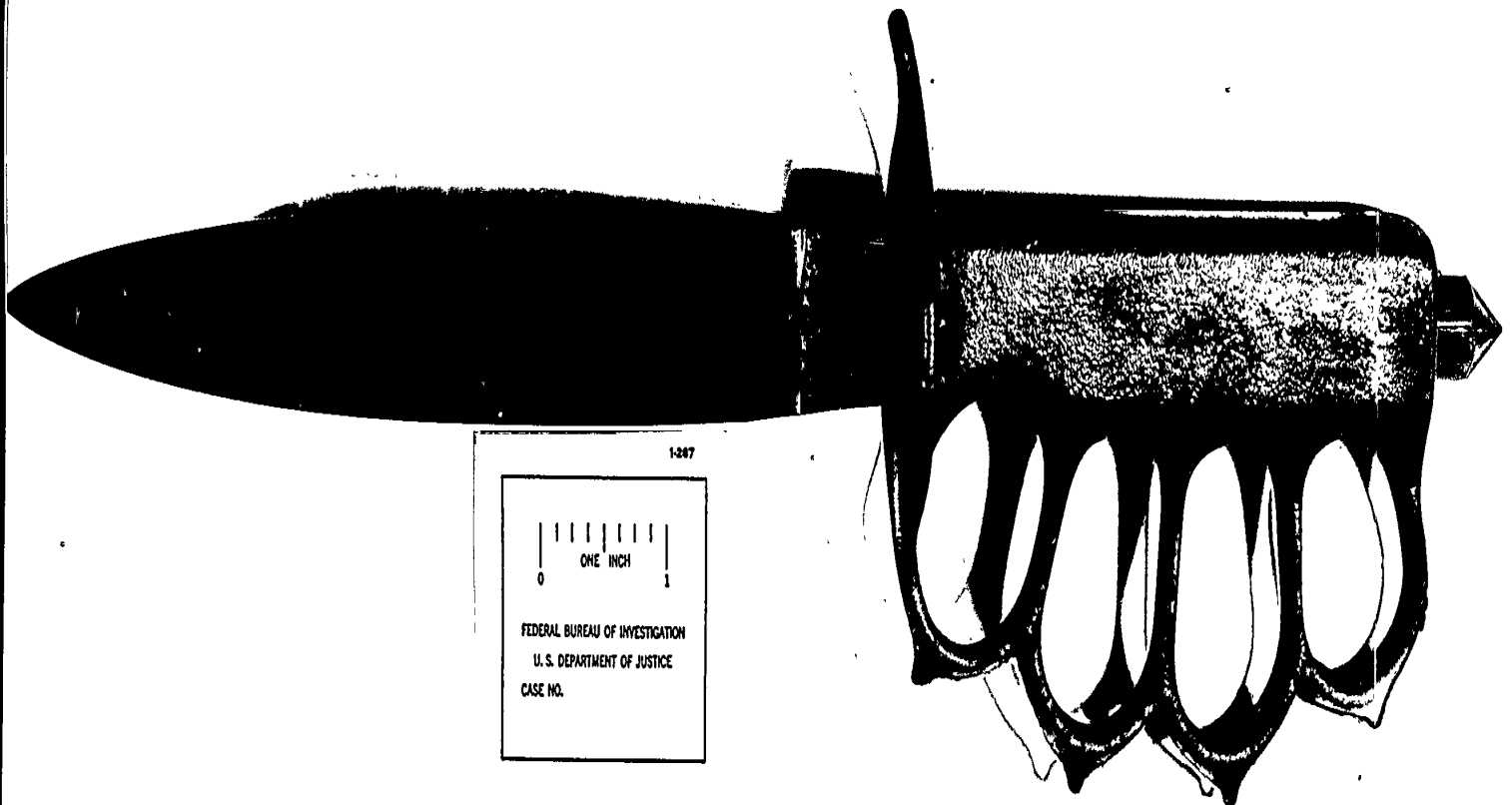
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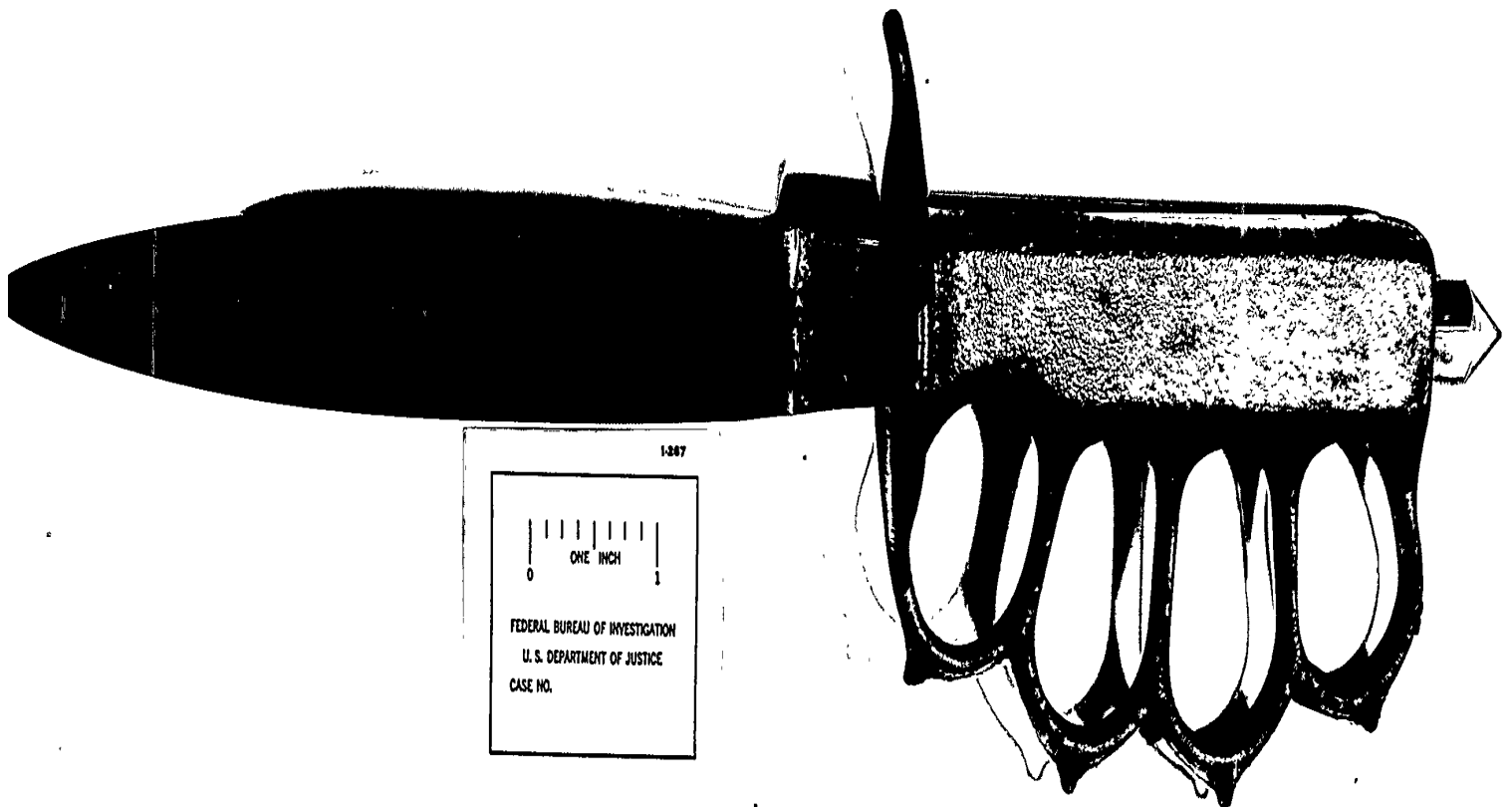
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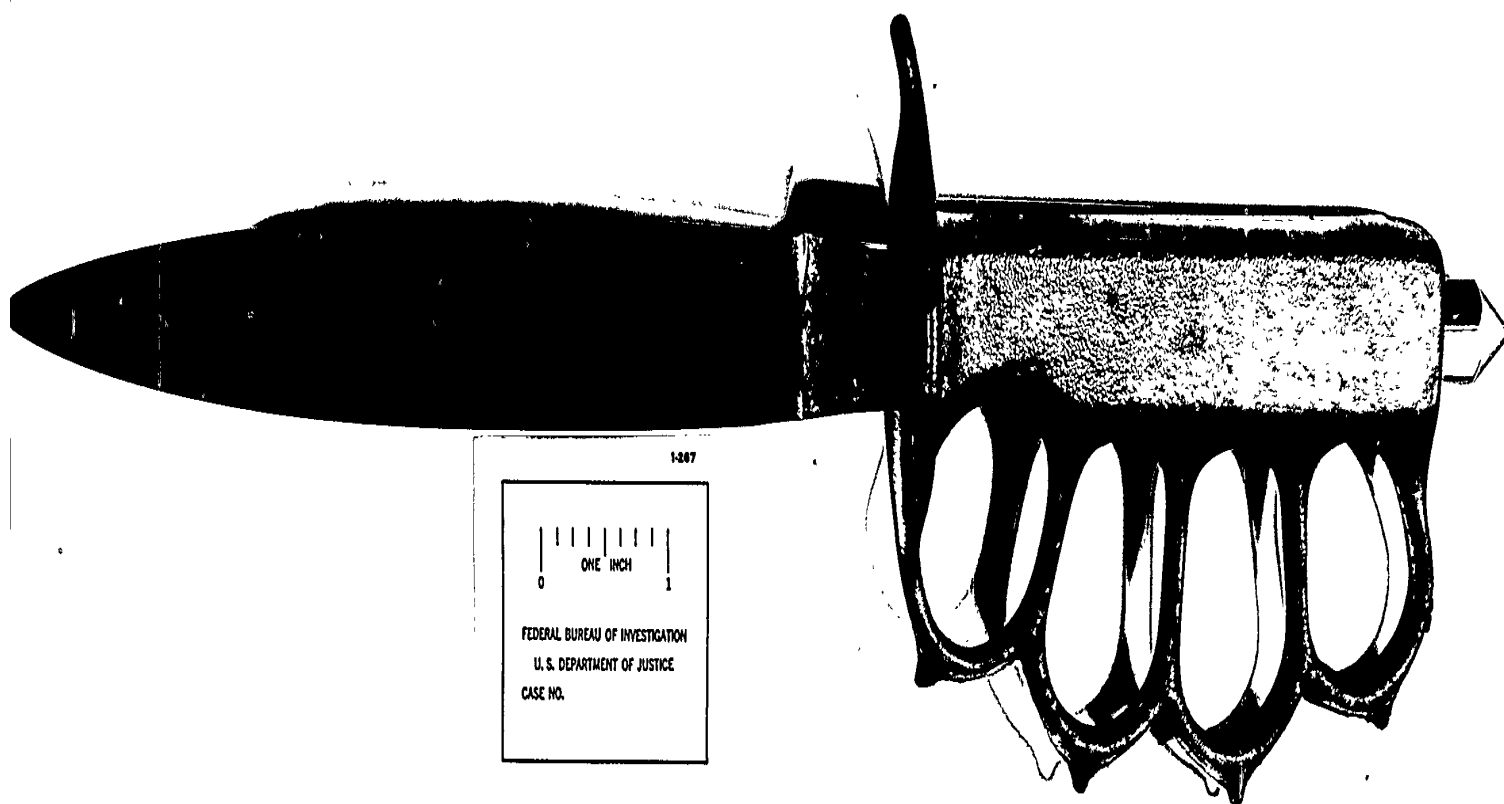


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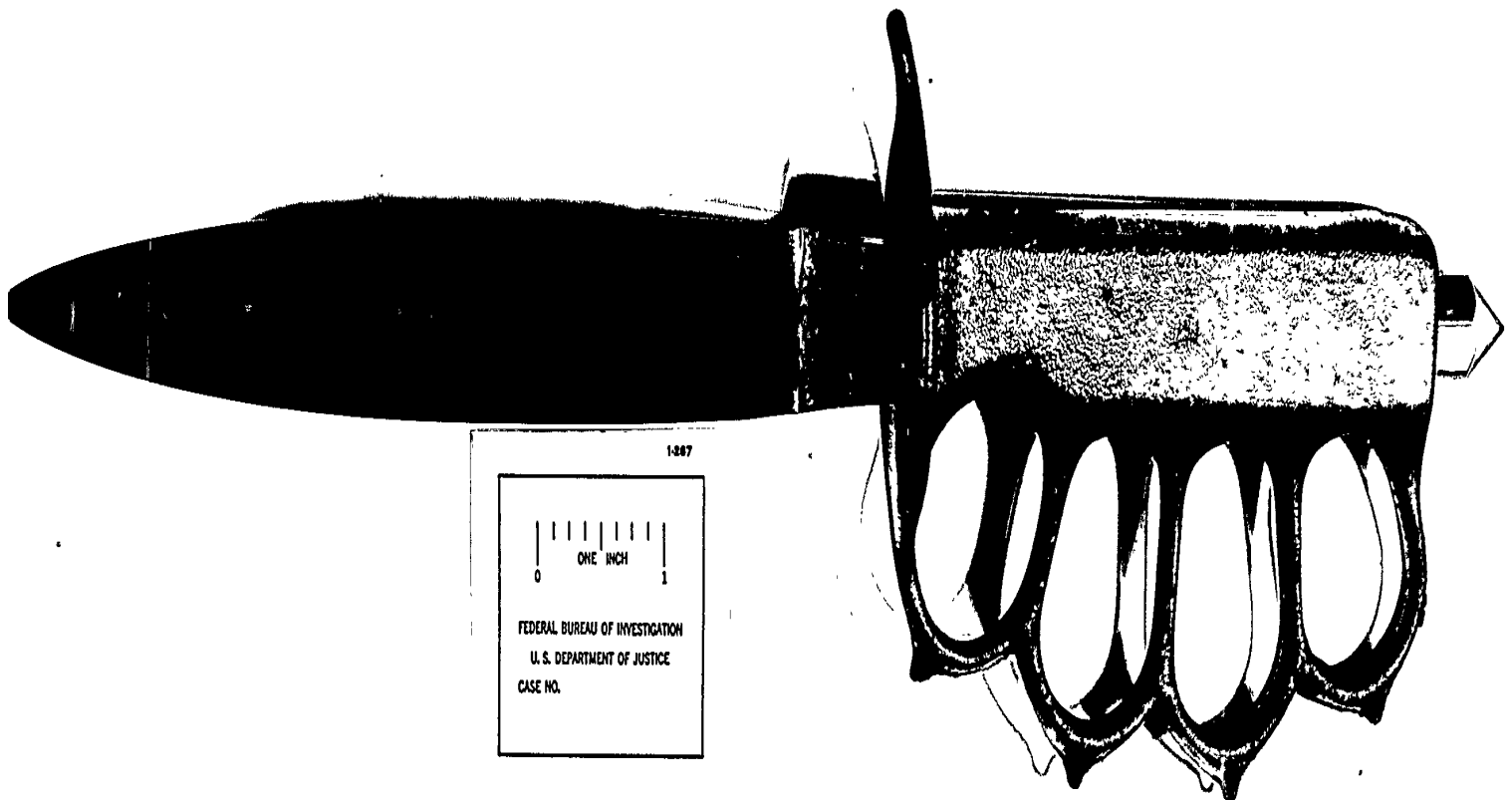


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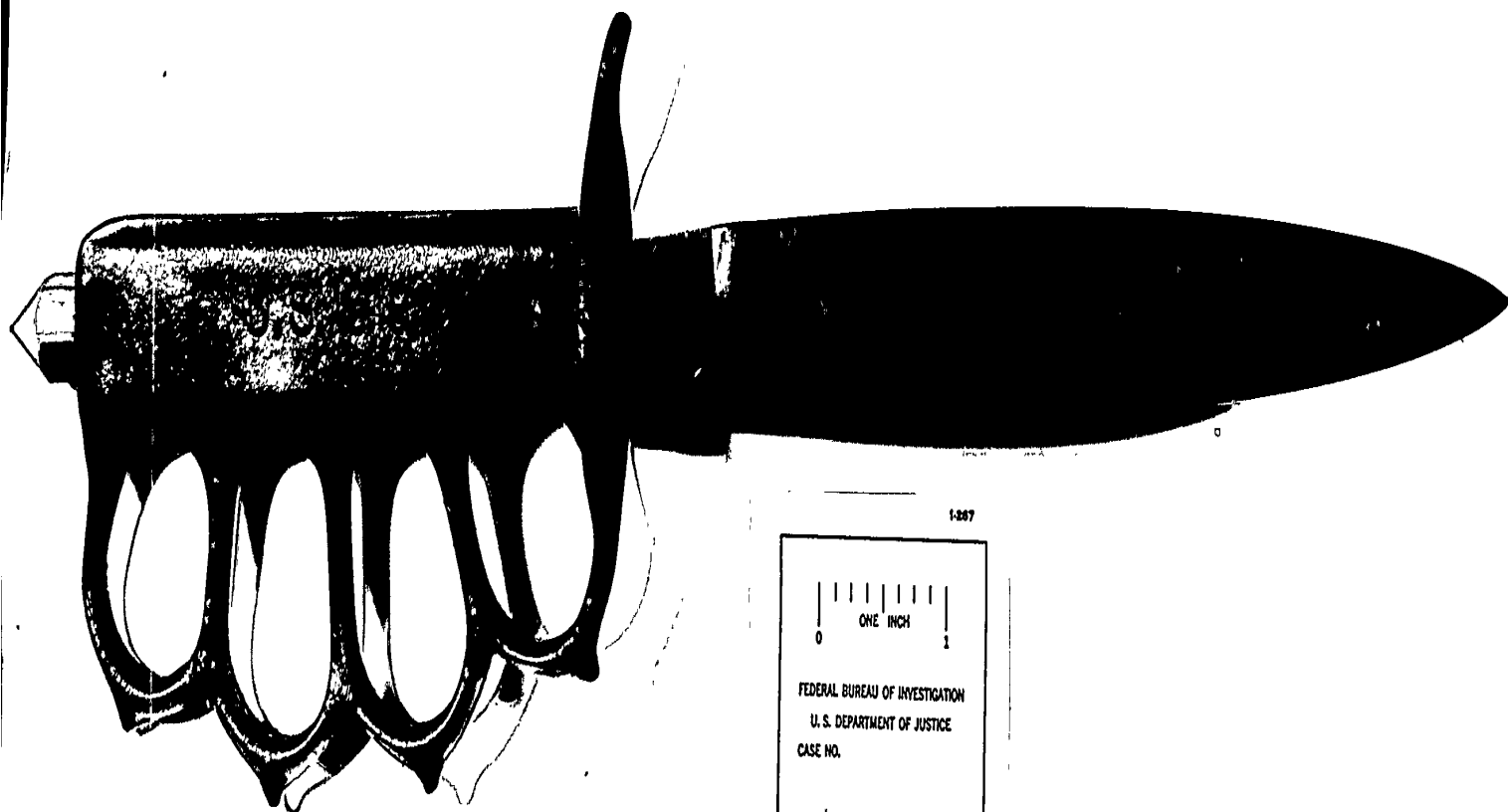
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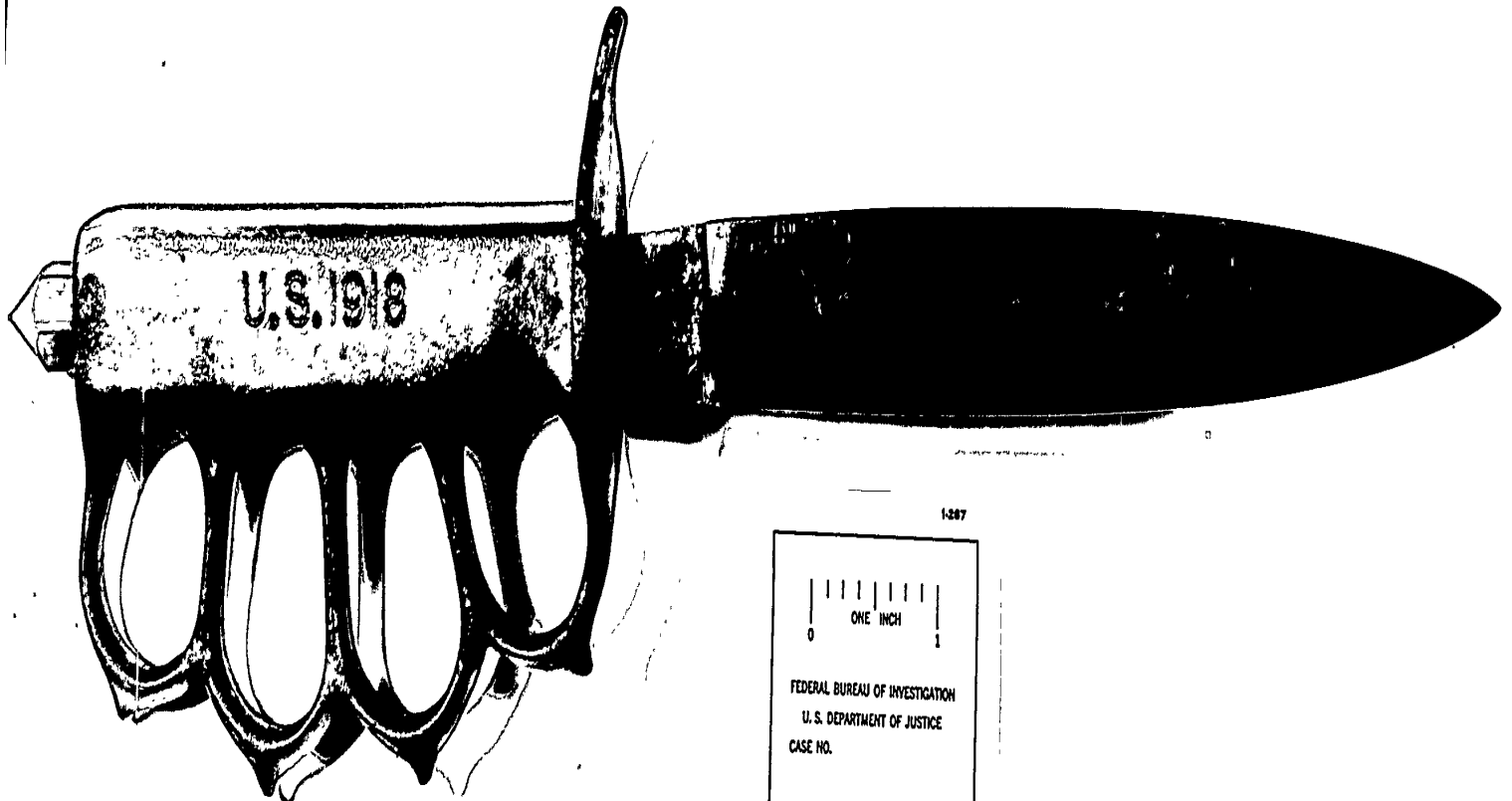


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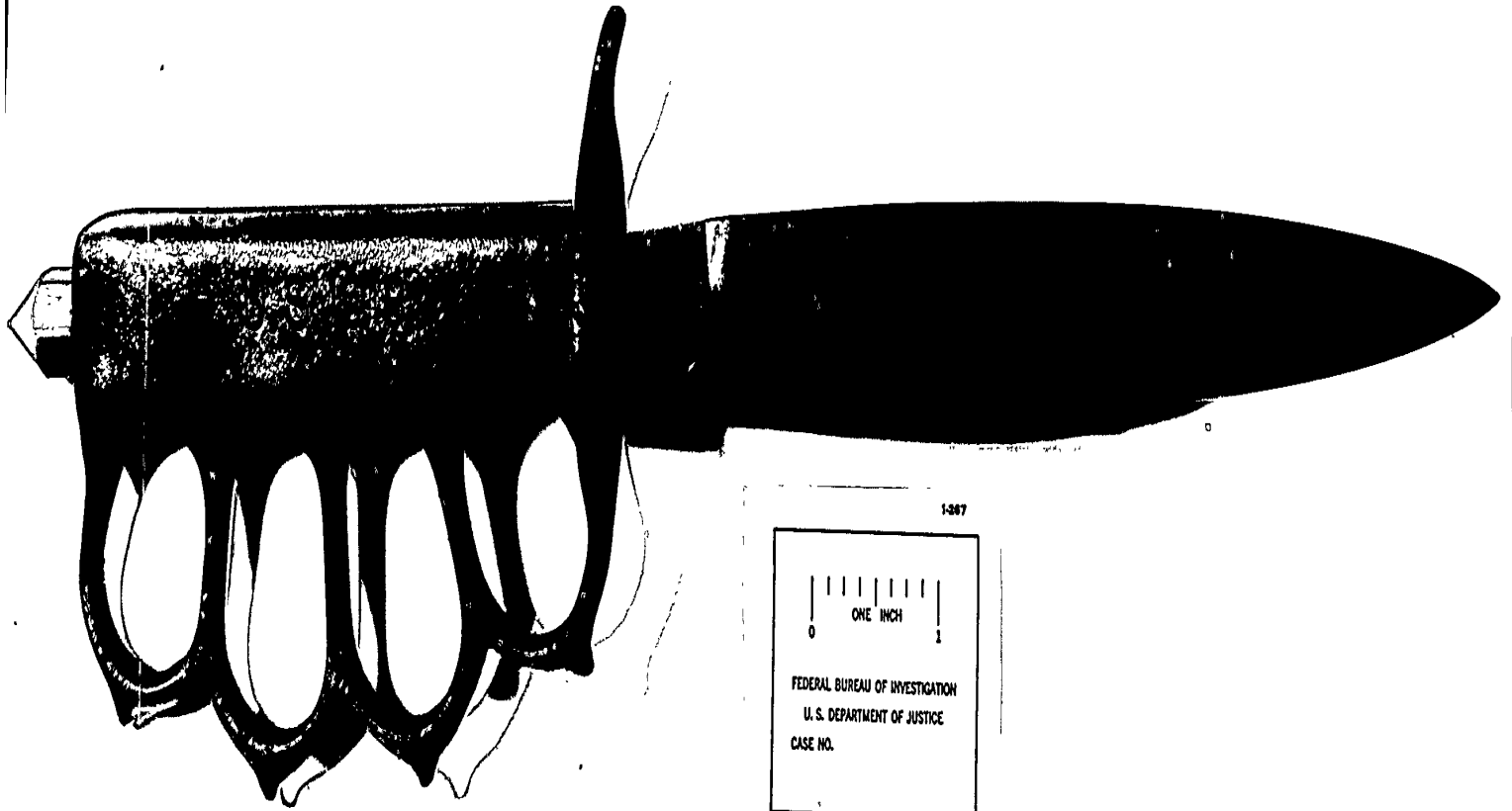
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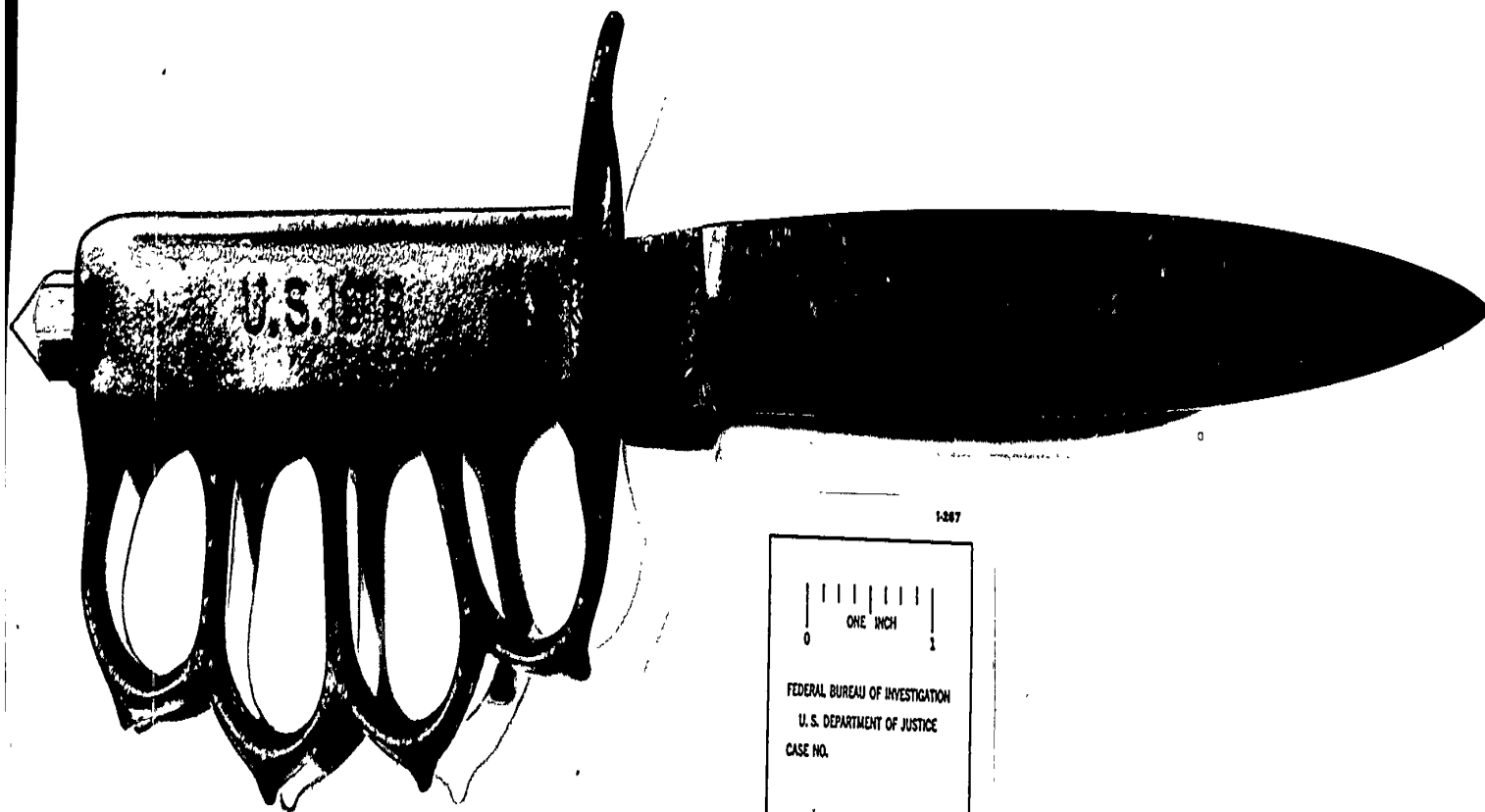
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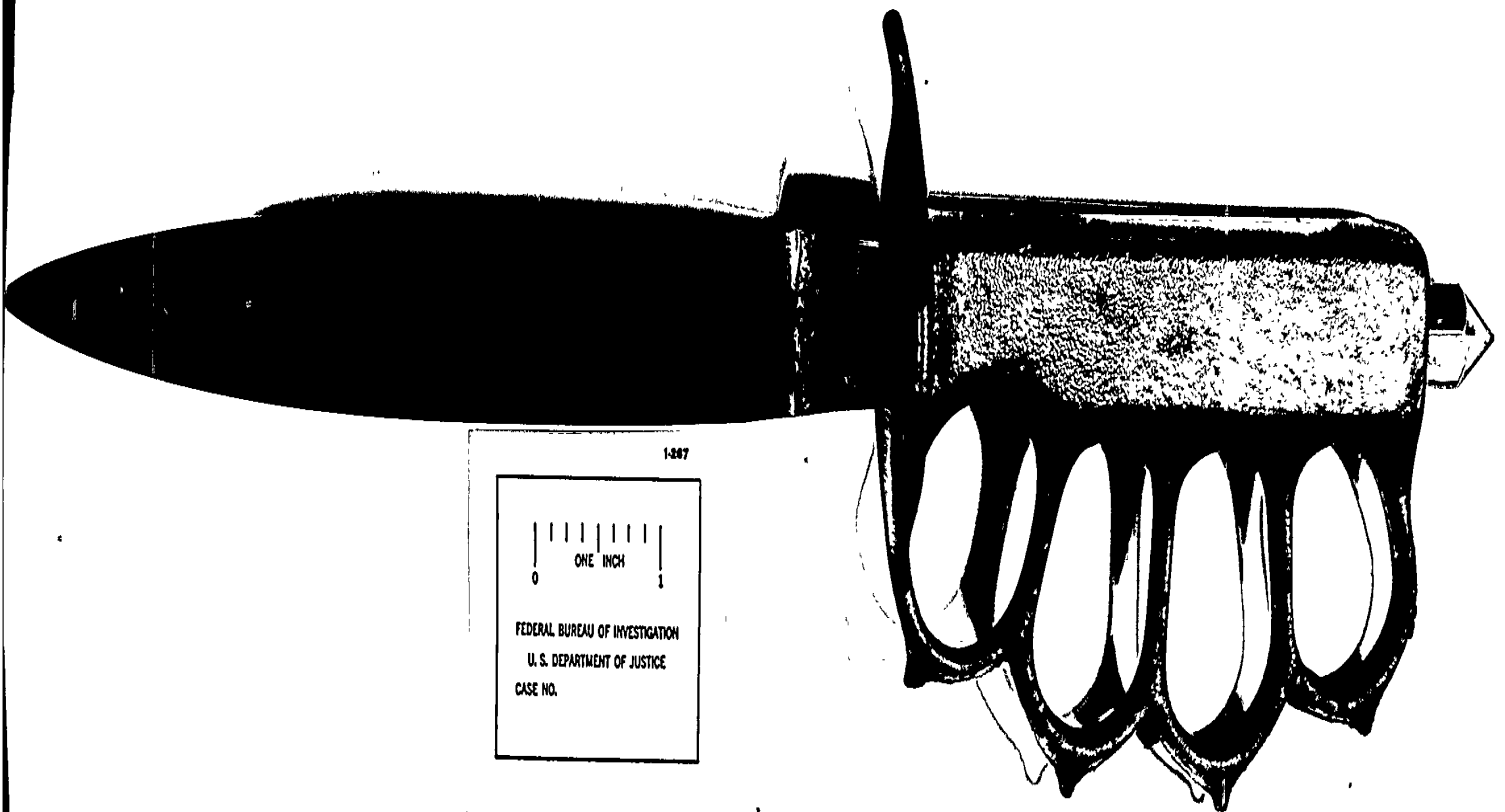
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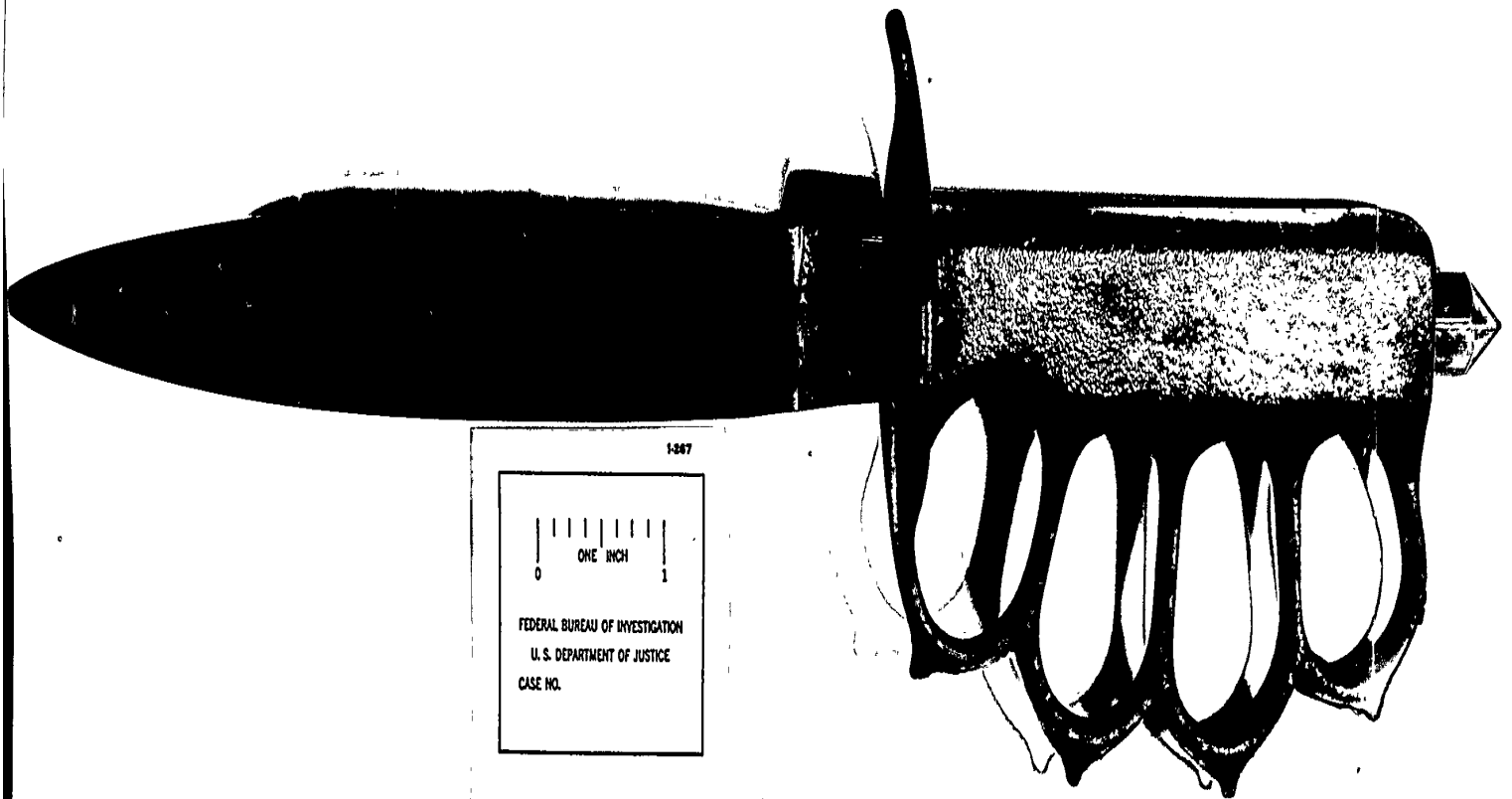


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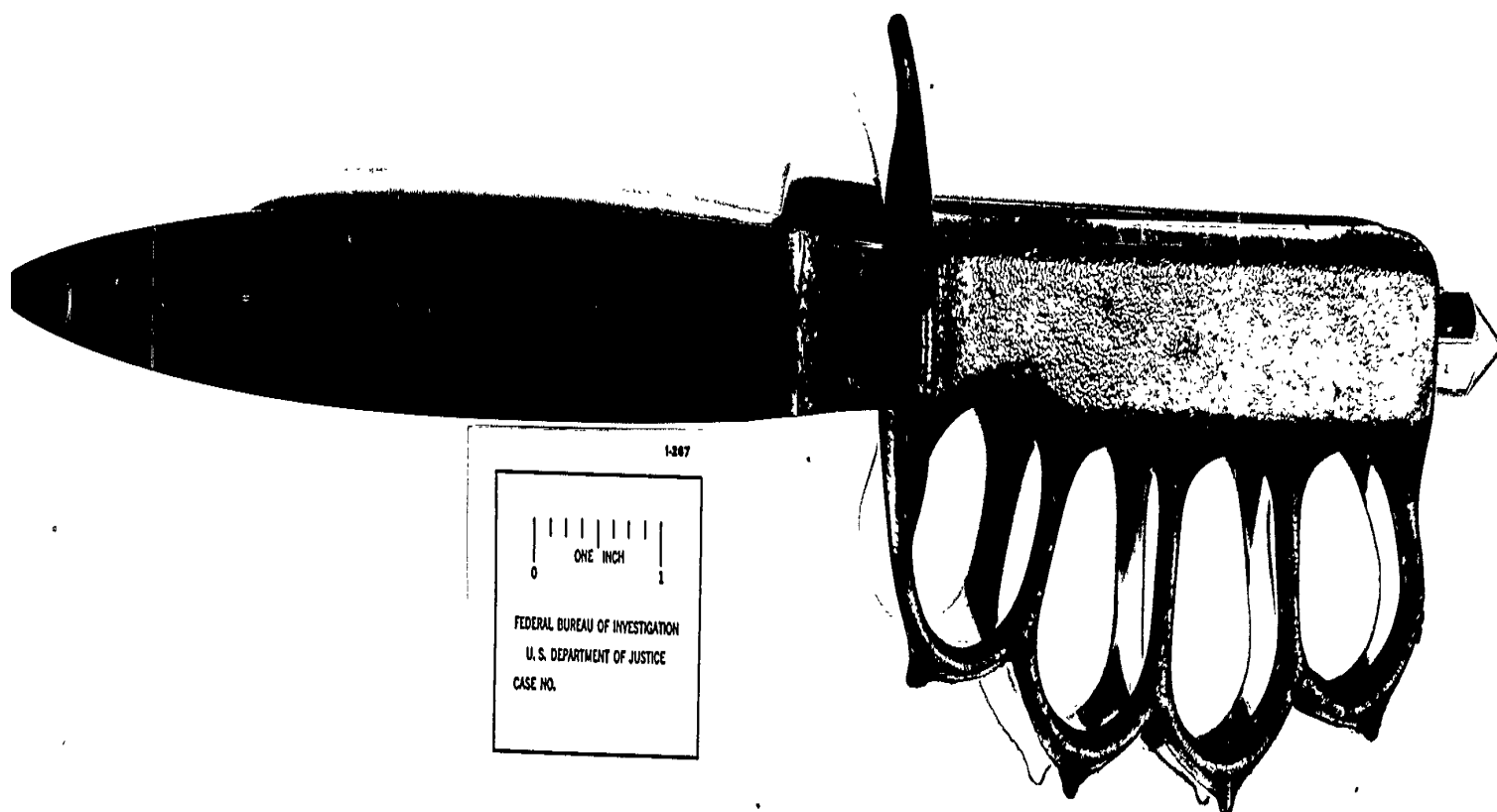
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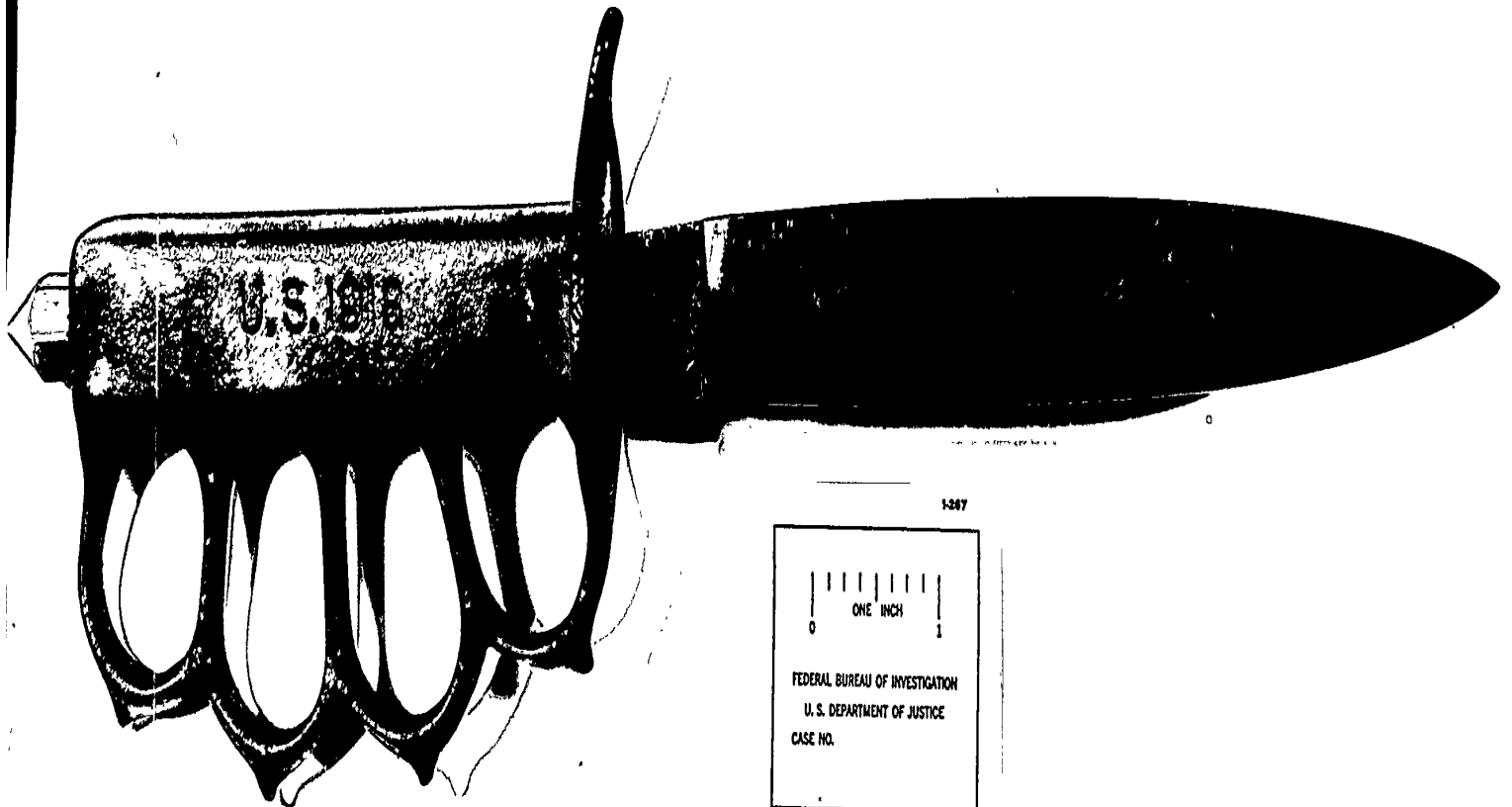
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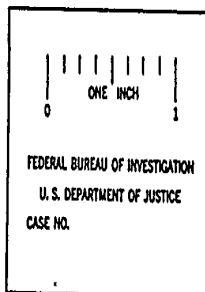
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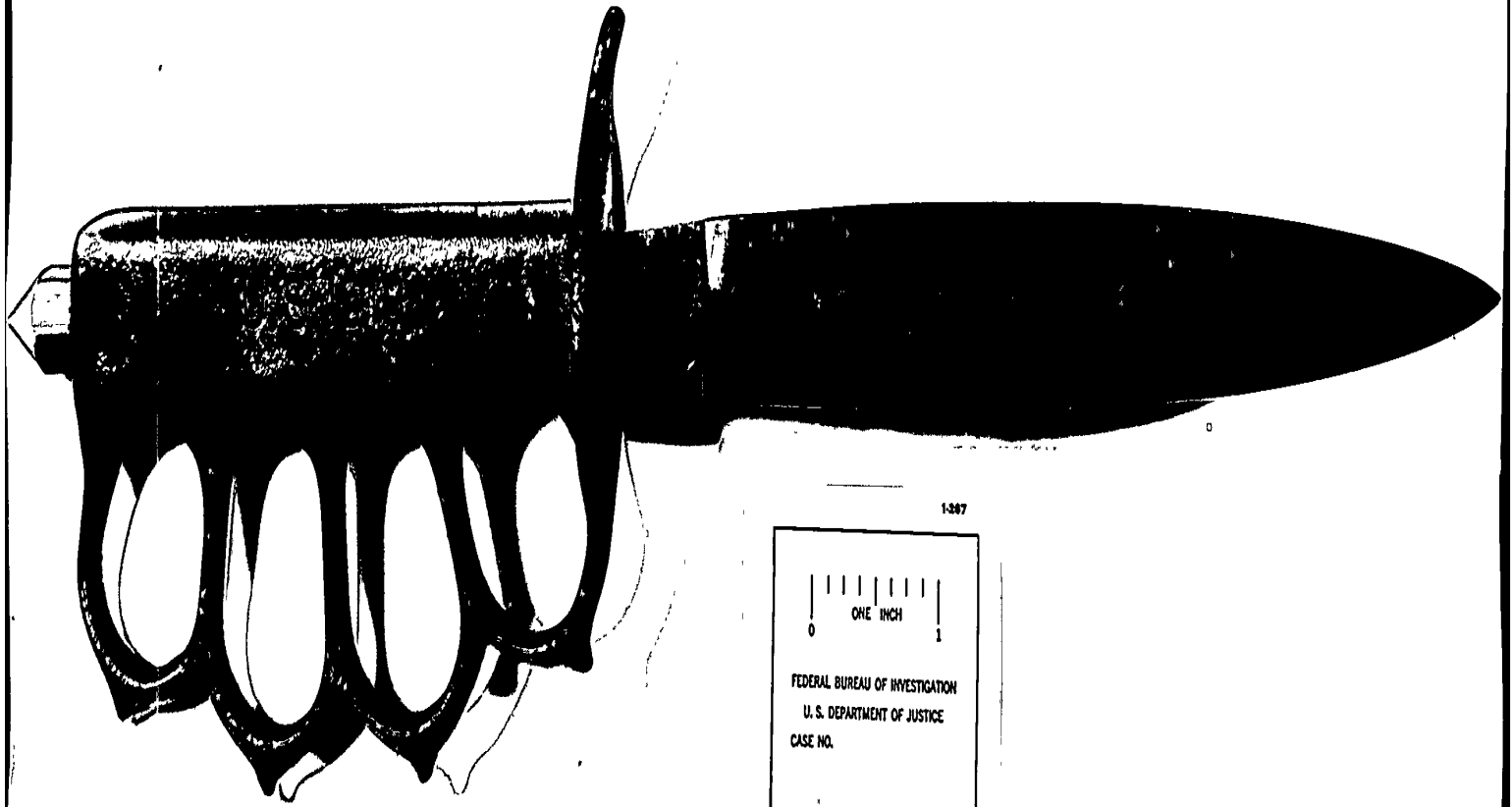
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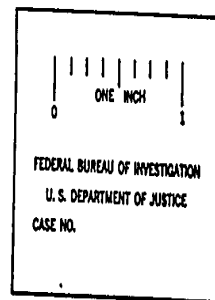
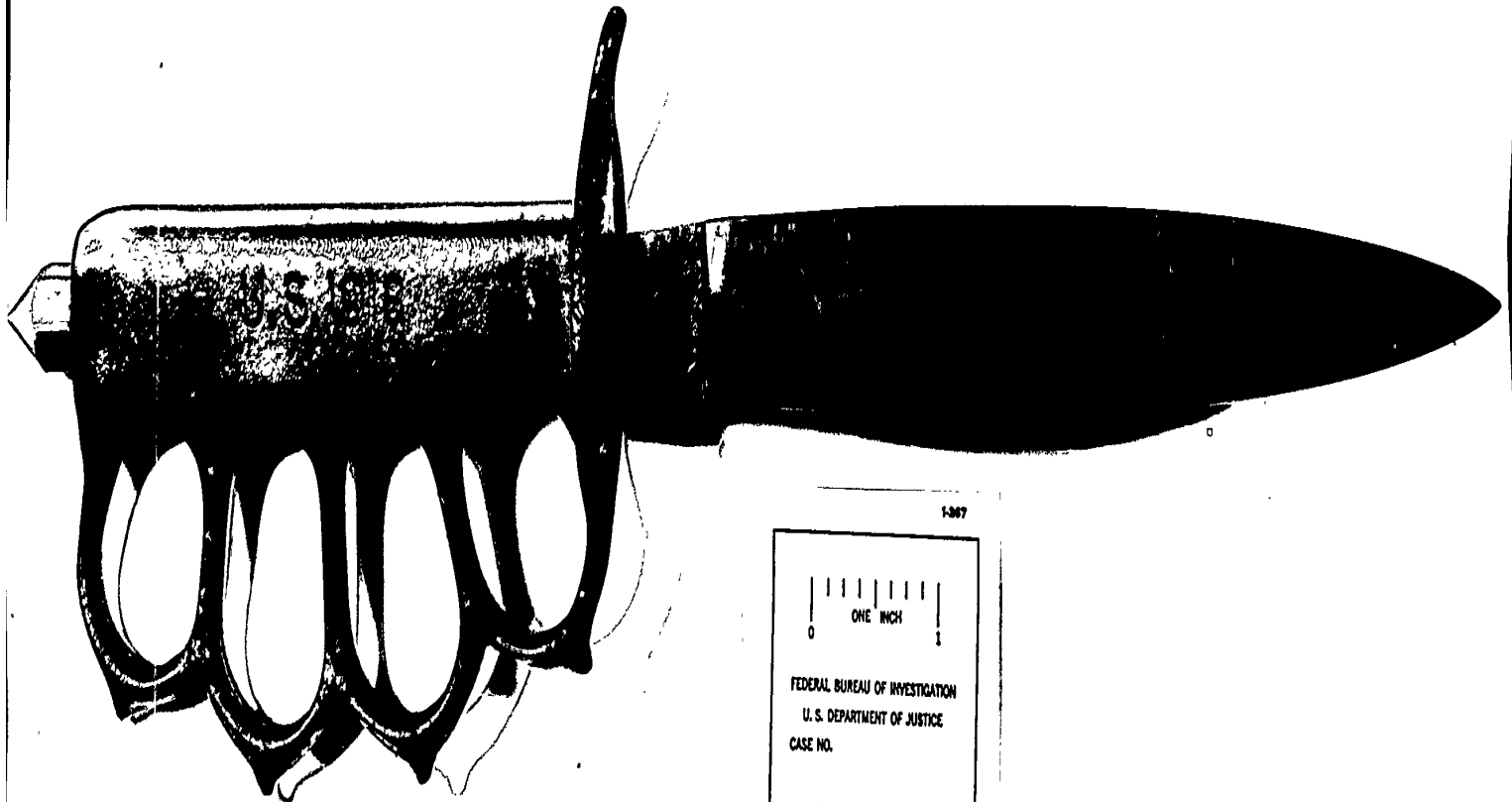


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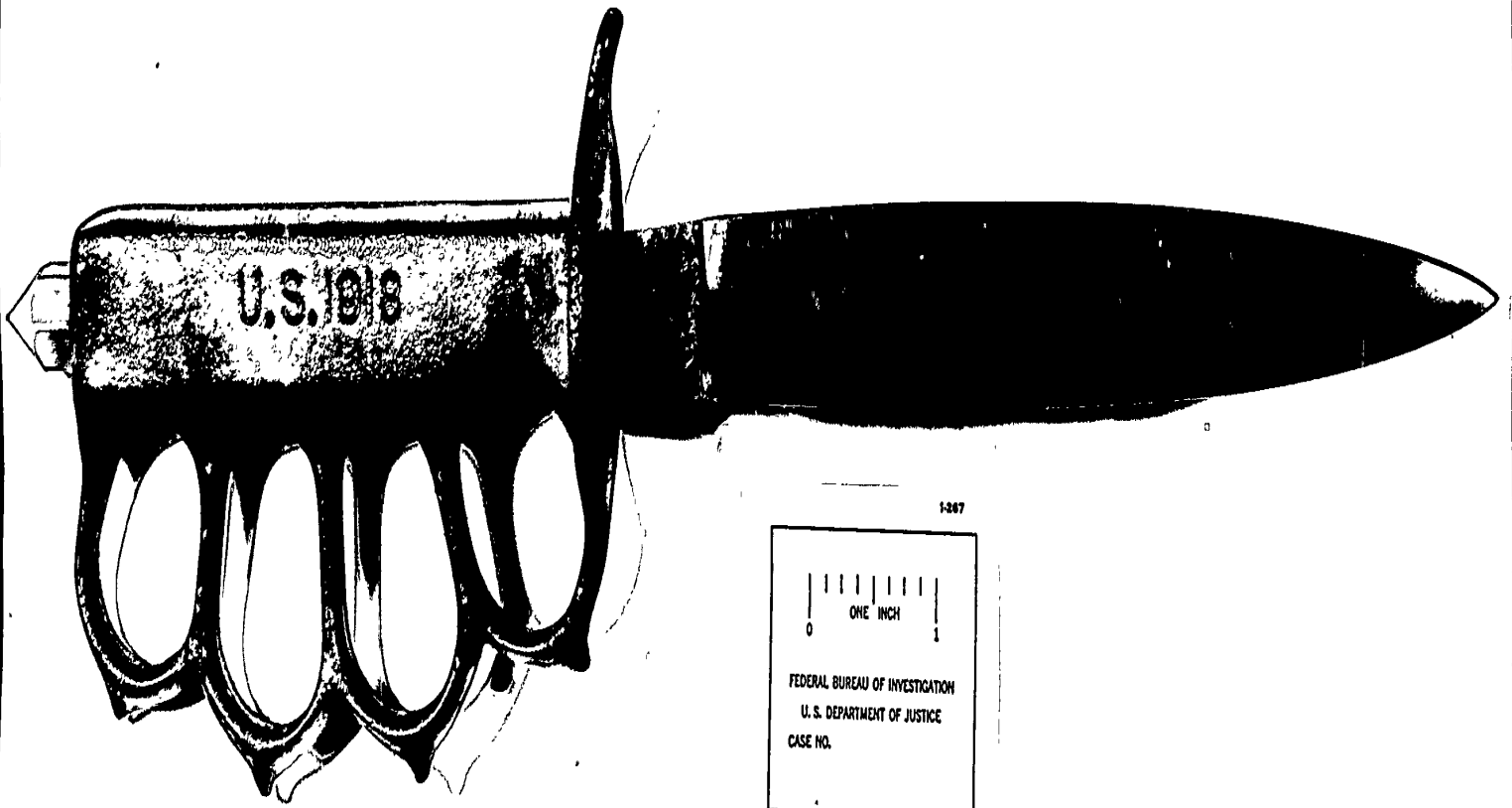
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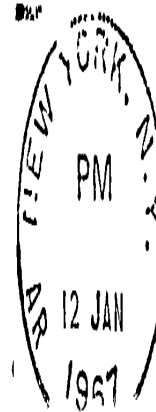
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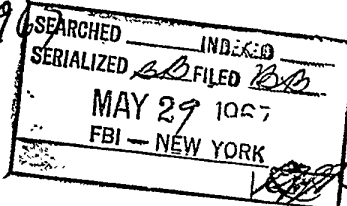
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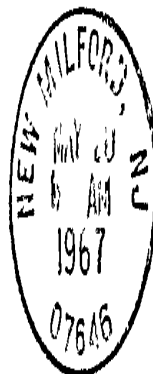
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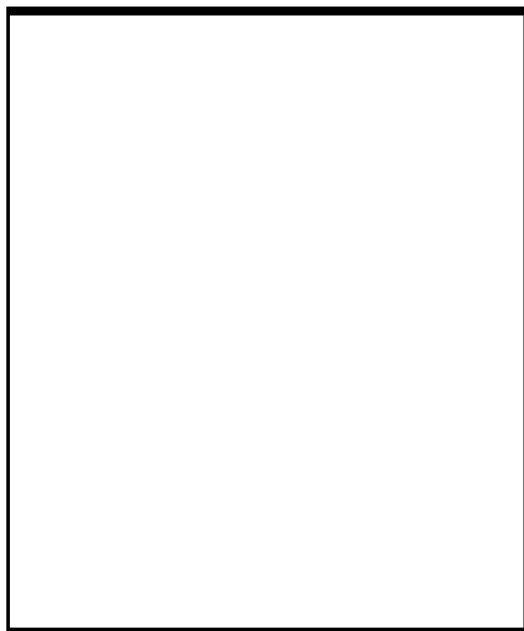
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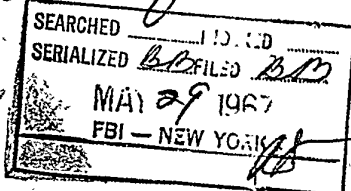
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***Tax Pays for What
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Not for Government Needs***

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LOS ANGELES — The nation-wide drive to stop the need for the federal personal income tax is reported to be making unusual headway this year.

According to Willis E. Stone, National Chairman of the Liberty Amendment Committee of the U.S.A., the Amendment will be considered by a record number of State legislatures by the end of 1967.

Stone, declared the 1966 elections to have been a "mandate for a return to limited, economical government at both the State and national levels." He said the voters had made it clear what direction in which they wanted their elected representatives to move.

Liberty Amendment

The Liberty Amendment is a proposed amendment to the federal Constitution which will cut national expenditures sufficiently to permit repeal of the 16th (Income Tax) Amendment. This is to be achieved by allowing a three-year period after ratification, in which the Government will be forced to drop all activities "except as specified in the Constitution."

Parkinson's Law

Stone labeled the federal bureaucracy "parasitic" and said it is now "growing beyond anyone's comprehension by feeding upon all of America's taxpayers."

He cited two decades of continuing study of "the Government's own documents" to back the claim that Uncle Sam is now spending more than \$50 Billion annually "on programs which ignore the Constitution's precise language."

According to Stone, the proposal is politically non-partisan, having received strong support from members of both major parties in States where it has thus far been approved.

EDITORIAL

The American people can no longer afford the luxury of writing blank checks to government in the false belief that election to public office automatically cloaks the politician with divine wisdom.

We can no longer afford to be governed by personalities, cliques and pressure groups who substitute emotional "issues" for sound common sense, and charge the rest of us for the high costs of their special treatment.

We don't have to like it or lump it!

We CAN fight City Hall — if we are sick enough of the plundering, and the arrogance, and the flouting of the people's will.

We can insist upon strict federal observance of the U.S. Constitution and save multiple billions of tax dollars every year in the process. We can put teeth in our insistence through enactment of the Liberty Amendment as part of that Constitution.

By putting a halt to the federal vision of

our money as a vast slush fund to be spent at their will, we can also end the destructive concept of government by heroes, saints and popularity contest winners. In short, we can restore government of the people, BY the people and for the people — government in which elected and appointed officials work for us, rather than having us work for them.

Is this too good to ever be true? Well, it was true once and we can make it come true again simply by asserting our dominion over politicians and bureaucrats via the Liberty Amendment.

Let's stop equating patriotism with blind trust in those who govern. Let's start caring what happens to the money we earn.

Study the articles and features in this paper, including the text of the Liberty Amendment on page three; then write to your Congressman and representatives in your State capital telling them why YOU are in favor of the Liberty Amendment.

YOUTH FOR LIBERTY MEASURE

By David F. Nolan

(Nolan is Youth Coordinator of Liberty Amendment Committee of the U.S.A.)

American youth are wearying of the phony promises from Big Government. They are beginning to flock to the Liberty Amendment as the logical answer to the government-imposed problems of today. The futile demonstrations and marches of recent years have given way to a more mature and thoughtful attitude among most college students and young working people.

Young people are naturally rebellious and dissatisfied with any status quo. They reject the society of today and seek more liberty as they have in all previous generations. For years, they have been duped by false leaders who imply that the solution to all ills lies in total government.

Today's youngsters are too smart to be fooled very long. They see that riots and total government do not work. They realize the road to liberty does not lie through the wastelands of unfeeling governmental bureaucracy.

"New Morality"

Many have withdrawn from society altogether, escaping into the mindless rejection of reality called the "New Morality." But

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Govt. Commission Studying 'Public Lands' Problems

Could Recommend 'Disposal' To States And Private Interests

One reason why State and local tax bills are so high in some States is to be found in federal ownership of vast acreages within those States' borders. Such land is cut off as a source of taxes for local schools, law-enforcement, etc.; this results in the "tax base" being so narrowed that the burden is especially heavy on relatively few businesses and other property owners.

Here are a few examples taken from statistics published by American Forest Products Industries, Inc., in Washington, D.C.:

In Alaska, every inch of the land is federally owned, leaving

nothing to be taxed by State and local governments. Arizona is only 28 per cent taxable. Idaho is 65.3 per cent federally owned. Nevada has nothing to say about 87 per cent of the land within its borders, and Utah is nearly three-fourths owned by Uncle Sam.

In 12 Western States, about 58 per cent of the total land is owned by the federal government. This includes tax-exempt Indian reservation land.

Review Land Laws

On September 19, 1964, Congress enacted Public Law 88-606 creating a Public Land Law Review Commission "to study existing laws and procedures relating to the administration of

the public lands of the United States." Said the lawmakers:

"It is hereby declared to be the policy of Congress that the public lands of the United States shall be (a) retained and managed or (b) disposed of, all in a manner to provide the maxi-

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COST OF UNAUTHORIZED FEDERAL OPERATIONS EQUALS INCOME-TAX BITE

HOW BIG IS THE PROBLEM?



Research has revealed more than 700 federal agencies which — in one way or another — operate business-type activities without Constitutional authority. These range from loans for Eskimo dwellings to jungle road-building in Nicaragua; from operating sugar and coffee cartels to the manufacture of ladies underwear.

HOW MUCH DOES THIS COST?



The losses of these unauthorized functions — plus the hidden costs of payroll, services, space, capital, and interest — amount to more than the money collected by federal personal income taxes. In 1959, these activities cost us more than \$44 Billion, compared with \$39 Billion collected in income, estate and gift taxes during the same year.

CAN THIS BE PROVEN?



Yes. Over 21 years of research have produced an endless volume of supporting evidence. Losses have been effectively estimated by examining the Government's own records — the U.S. Budgets, Government Organization Manuals, Audit Reports and Hoover Commission Reports.

WHAT CAN BE DONE?



The proposed Liberty Amendment — its full text shown on the opposite page — will end all federal business-type enterprises not specified in the Constitution. After a 3-year liquidation period, the personal income and withholding taxes will be repealed.

WHERE WILL NECESSARY REVENUE COME FROM?

Excise and corporation taxes, duties, imposts and other miscellaneous receipts will provide ample revenue to finance national defense, the Post Office,

and other legitimate activities specified in the Constitution.

NO NEED FOR REPLACEMENT REVENUE

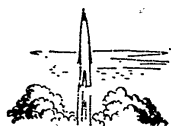
By eliminating all federal programs NOT specified in the Constitution, annual federal budgets will be cut in half. When government expenditures are halved, revenue can be cut by a like amount. Thus, the Liberty Amendment is fiscally responsible since the NEED for the personal income tax is removed before the 16th Amendment is repealed.

WHERE CAN BUDGET BE CUT?



Americans are aware that "foreign aid," farm subsidies, public power and other pork-barrel projects are extremely costly to the taxpayers and do not achieve the vaunted results claimed by the politicians. The Liberty Amendment will compel Congress to use the Constitution in evaluating every present and future federal program. Those which do not meet its clear and specific language will either be eliminated or turned over to tax-paying private operation under State administration.

WHAT ABOUT DEFENSE?



The defense of the nation is made mandatory upon Congress by the Constitution. Yet, we know that some of our best and most critical weapons systems have been eliminated, air and military bases and navy yards are being closed wholesale, and inferior equipment is being supplied to our fighting men overseas according to their own reports from the battlefield. All this in the name of "economy" while new billions are appropriated for political "wars on" this and that.

Within the Defense Department alone, a Congressional committee discovered, a few years ago, some 19,000 businesses not directly related to military activity. These are businesses more efficiently operated by private companies which would be paying taxes into treasuries at every governmental level, instead of costing the taxpayers money.

These non-military costs amount to about half the annual defense budget. By eliminating them, the Liberty Amendment will insure a much stronger defense posture.

TEN 'PILLARS OF ECONOMIC WISDOM' FORM BASIS OF MANY TRAINING PROGRAMS

One of the most-visited exhibits at the New York World's Fair was the American Economic Foundation's Hall of Free Enterprise.

In that Hall, were ten stately Doric columns. On each, was mounted a bronze inscription containing a "fact of life" about economics. The pillars were appropriately called the Ten Pillars of Economic Wisdom. It is estimated by the Foundation that the columns were studied by 25 million visitors from all over the world.

Here is what was inscribed on those pillars:

1. Nothing in our material world can come from nowhere or go nowhere, nor can it be free; everything in our economic life has a source, a destination, and a cost that must be paid.

2. Government is never a source of goods. Everything produced is produced by the people, and gives everything that government gives to the people, it must first take from the people.

3. The only valuable money that government has to spend is that money taxed or borrowed out of the people's earnings. When government decides to spend more than it has thus received, that extra unearned money is created out of thin air, through the banks, and, when spent, takes on value only by reducing the value of all money, savings, and insurance.

YOUTH from Page 1

these youths are becoming dissatisfied with this unthinking blank-out of all values and are now seeking in earnest for a true New Morality — based on sanity and understanding of reality. They are ripe for acceptance of a program offering a constructive alternative to the tired, ever-failing formulas of bigger government and tighter bureaucratic controls.

Reject Control

Young people hate control more than other age groups do. They have spent most of their lives under control by others. They want to lead their own lives and are beginning to realize that freedom exists only when governmental powers are strictly limited. For they know that it is only government that can take liberty from them; and this includes their economic liberty through excessive taxes to pay for politicians' whims.

See Liberty Amendment

Hence, they see the Liberty Amendment as the only non-partisan, logical and foolproof solution to their dilemma. Because it is based on fact rather than on blind adherence to persons, ideologies or pressure-group interests — and because it is neither "right-wing" nor "left-wing," — it has the widest possible appeal to idealistic

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4. In our modern exchange economy, all payroll and employment come from customers, and the only worthwhile job security is customer security; if there are no customers, there can be no payroll and no jobs.

5. Customer security can be achieved by the worker only when he cooperates with management in doing the things that win and hold customers. Job security, therefore, is a partnership problem that can be solved only in a spirit of understanding and cooperation.

6. Because wages are the principal cost of everything, widespread wage increases, without corresponding increase in production, simply increase the cost of everybody's living.

7. The greatest good for the greatest number means, in its material sense, the greatest goods for the greatest number which, in turn, means the greatest productivity per worker.

8. All productivity is based on three factors: 1) natural resources, whose form, place, and condition are changed by the expenditure of 2) human energy (both muscular and mental), with the aid of 3) tools.

9. Tools are the only one of these three factors that man can increase without limit, and tools come into being in a free society only when there is a reward for the temporary self-denial that people must practice in order to channel part of their earnings away from purchases that produce immediate com-

fort and pleasure, and into new tools of production. Proper payment for the use of tools is essential to their creation.

10. The productivity of the tools — that is, the efficiency of the human energy applied in connection with their use — has always been highest in a competitive society in which the economic decisions are made by millions of progress-seeking individuals, rather than in a state-planned society in which those decisions are made by a handful of all-powerful people, regardless of how well-meaning, unselfish, sincere and intelligent those people may be.

Already Known

Says the American Economic Foundation: "There is nothing involved in the Ten Pillars that is not already known to every normal person, nor is there anything involved that requires 'expert corroboration.'"

"The impact, therefore, is a set of facts which the reader KNOWS to be true; and against which any contrary theories can be put to the test.

Training Programs

The Foundation's concepts have been used in economic training programs for 3½ million hourly-rated workers foremen and supervisors in 2,000 corporations; in more than 193 Teachers' Institutes and workshops involving hundreds of primary and secondary school teachers; in school systems embracing 7,000 high schools; in community education and discussion group projects throughout the country.

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SECTION 3. The activities of the United States Government which violate the intent and purposes of this amendment shall, within a period of three years from the date of the ratification of this amendment, be liquidated and the properties and facilities affected shall be sold.

SECTION 4. Three years after the ratification of this amendment the sixteenth article of amendments to the Constitution of the United States shall stand repealed and thereafter Congress shall not levy taxes on personal incomes, estates, and/or gifts.

This proposed amendment to the U. S. Constitution is now pending in Congress as H.J. Res. 23. It has been approved by Resolution in the State Legislatures of Wyoming, Texas, Nevada, Louisiana, Georgia, South Carolina and Mississippi.

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An authority on American and world history, Stone is a strong exponent of strict federal adherence to the "literal language of the U.S. Constitution."

With a varied background including industrial engineering and advertising, the Amendment's author is publisher of FREEDOM MAGAZINE and regular columnist with American Way Features, a newspaper syndicate.

Stone is in constant demand as a public speaker. He logs thousands of air miles yearly in covering scores of speaking engagements. In most cases, TV and radio stations in the cities where he speaks have him appear on their panel and interview shows.

Jefferson a Favorite

Next to George Washington, his "favorite" among the Founding Fathers is probably Thomas Jefferson. One of Stone's most frequently used Jeffersonian quotes is: "In matters of power, let no more be heard of confidence in men; but bind them down from mischief with the chains of the Constitution."

Stone, of pioneering stock, is a direct descendant of Thomas E. Stone, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, and is a great-grand-nephew of philosopher Ralph Waldo Emerson.

An incurable optimist, he is held in high esteem and admiration by the Chairmen of Liberty Amendment Committees now active in all 50 States.

When asked how long it is going to take to make the Liberty Amendment a part of the Constitution, Stone replies: "Only as long as it takes Americans to realize they do not have to put up with federal usurpation of their rights — and that the Liberty Amendment is the logical answer to the problem."

TAX REPORT

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STATE COMMITTEES PLAY ACTIVE ROLE IN SUPPORT OF AMENDMENT

Liberty Amendment Committees are now organized and operating in nearly all of the 50 States.

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WISCONSIN MAN QUESTIONS 'DEFICIT ECONOMICS'

SAYS FEDERAL DEBT IS WORSENING THE FISCAL PROBLEMS AT LOCAL LEVELS

Lloyd G. Herbstreith, an advertising account executive in Oshkosh, Wisconsin has written to every one of that State's Senators and Assemblymen, deploring deficit-spending in government and offering the proposed Liberty Amendment as Wisconsin's solution to the problem. His letter follows:

"As you ponder the weighty problem of our State Operating Budget during coming weeks, we hope you will apply a set of rules similar to those you use for your own family in order to keep it solvent year after year.

"After all, the State of Wisconsin is simply speaking nothing more than a collection of families like yours and mine.

"This being true, if it is economically dangerous for any single family to spend beyond its income, it follows that such a practice multiplied by one million—the approximate number of Wisconsin families—could hardly improve the situation.

"Nor could 'over-your-head' living by about 50 million U.S. families make any better sense. And yet, our federal government is doing just that—year in and year out—regular as clockwork!

"Dangerous? Of course it is! You know it and every unselfish, thinking American knows it too. And we all know it has to stop before annual interest on our debt equals the annual income our federal government is able to gather from all of us who foot the bill.

"What does all this have to do

with our State Budget? Just this—that the longer we people, through our elected State and national representatives, allow this present day fiscal fiasco at the federal level to continue, the worse our economic problems are going to become at State and local levels.

"There must be a solution! There is a solution! Under separate cover, we are sending you a book entitled 'Action for Americans—The Liberty Amendment.' You will find the practical solution to our country's economic problems outlined within its covers.

"We hope you will read the book, concur with 'The Liberty Amendment Idea', and then vote your support when a resolution in its favor is put before you during this legislative session.

"If you do support the Liberty Amendment, you will be able to rest better with the knowledge that you have taken a gigantic step toward future fiscal soundness for Wisconsin the State and for its individual families."

Wisconsin Chairman

Herbstreith served for many years as chairman of the Wisconsin Liberty Amendment committee. He also organized Alabama Governor George C. Wallace's presidential primary campaign in Wisconsin in 1964.

He is co-author of "Action for Americans" mentioned in his letter above. The book can be obtained in paperback for 75 cents by writing to: Operation America, 6414 Dix St., Los Angeles, Calif. 90028.

Says 'Lip-Service' Officials Due For 1968 Awakening

By Willis E. Stone

On November 8, 1966, the American voters went to the polls and "threw the rascals out." It happened at the State level where the members of the legislatures were known and identifiable, as well as in the Congress.

The magnitude of this resurgent constitutionalism had such impact that even the Huntleys and Brinkleys publicly deplored the end of the "liberal" era.

But that was November 8, 1966. Since then, the federal machine has been busy capturing the newly-elected to make them over in the image of the bureaucracy. Too many of our "heroes," elected to revitalize American principles, developed feet of clay and became subversive to Washington masters.

The President's State of the Union address disregarded the rights and prerogatives of the States and the people. Obviously the subjugation of the people is to continue without letup—in spite of the feelings they made known in the voting booths. Vast new tax levies are now proposed so people may continue to finance their own subjugation.

Stood On Amendment

The Liberty Amendment was the basis of election in many State contests; but many victors have now reversed themselves and joined Washington's big spenders in preventing legislative action on the Amendment.

One wonders who really won the elections. Is the public will to be ignored? Were the wrong candidates selected because of their lip-service to American principles?

Many in the State legislatures who gave lip-service to the

cause of freedom and pledged their support of the Liberty Amendment in order to gain office quickly defected when they tasted the power of public position.

Example: In Bismarck, North Dakota's capital, hundreds of citizens gathered from all parts of the State to attend the legislative hearings on the Liberty Amendment Resolution. The legislators turned a deaf ear to the well developed presentations in support of the measure, while not a shred of evidence was offered in opposition. Opponents did not even bother to attend the hearings, adding to the obvious fact that a decision had been made in advance to ignore proponents' testimony. It was decided by the legislators to "indefinitely suspend" the Resolution in a closed "executive session" within minutes after closing of the public hearings.

What is the Answer?

It is said the next election is the place to correct the mistakes of the last election. The violation of campaign promises in North Dakota has produced a drive among devoted constitutionalists to replace those who have betrayed their platform pledges. The 1968 campaign has started; candidates have already announced.

This North Dakota action has nothing to do with partisanship. It involves both Democrats and Republicans interested only in restoring our institutions of freedom. The pattern is certain to be repeated in other States as the American people continue to pursue their search for those who will uphold the principles of the Constitution.

With every taxpayer the tar-

get of political plunderers, these campaigns become the task of those who pay the bills. What kind of government does the producer (the taxpayer) want? Are we ready to find and elect those who will provide it?

To answer these questions, we must establish the yardstick by which we can properly evaluate those whom we elect.

NO CANDIDATE HAS A RIGHT TO ASK FOR YOUR VOTE UNTIL THAT CANDIDATE IS READY, ABLE AND WILLING TO TELL EXACTLY WHAT HE PROPOSES TO DO WITH THE POWER HE SEEKS.

THE LIBERTY AMENDMENT IS THE BEST POSSIBLE YARDSTICK BY WHICH THE INTENTIONS AND CHARACTER OF THE CANDIDATE CAN BE EVALUATED.

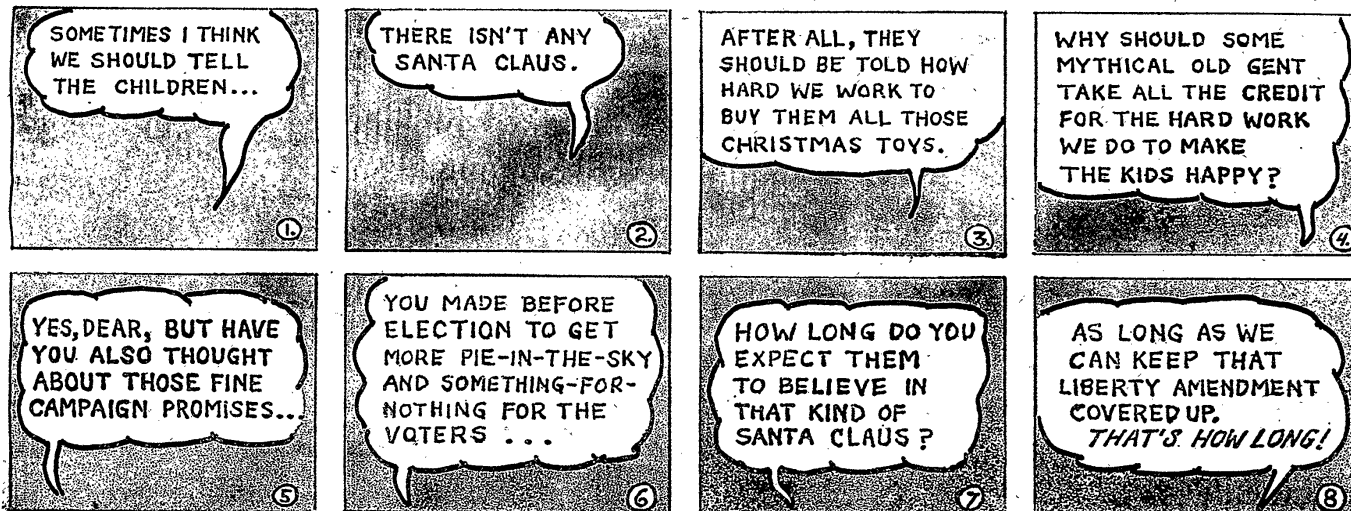
Replacing the betrayers of public trust is the way in which we, the people, can correct the mistakes of the last election at the next one. It is the means by which we have a voice in determining the public policies under which we live.

When we follow this procedure, elections will stay won! Find out NOW where your public servants stand on the question of the Liberty Amendment. If they oppose the Resolution, they oppose your right to a voice in determining public policy.

The Liberty Amendment Resolution presented to the State legislatures is simply a petition asking Congress to submit the question to the American people for their discussion and decision. Let your State legislator know how you feel about this matter NOW.

AIN'T IT THE TRUTH

By BILL GRAFF



Streamlined Govt.

By William D. Graff

On a number of occasions, the need has been felt in official Washington for an overhauling of the federal apparatus in the name of economy — or streamlining for efficiency. The Hoover Commission, appointed by former President Harry S. Truman, compiled voluminous reports and recommendations for eliminating much duplication of effort especially in the Department of Defense. Results of these efforts have been minor, if anything, in helping John Q. Public's pocketbook where it is always open season for politicians.

Exponents of good government have always advocated the barest minimum of agencies and bureaus with their attendant confusion, duplication and top-heavy payrolls for admittedly unproductive employees. And, it has been long-recognized, by elected representatives that a bloated bureaucracy does little more than provide one annoyance after another for those who would like to do a good job of representing their constituents.

The Liberty Amendment is sometimes attacked as an "anti-Government" measure; yet an objective look at the proposal by students of governmental efficiency would reveal just the opposite. The United States Government would rank high among the beneficiaries of this amendment, even though now it appears reluctant to consider the shedding of as much bureaucratic "lard" as the Liberty Amendment calls for. We think the American people would be "proud as punch" of their Government if it were a great deal more weight-conscious and desirous of doing something about that pork-barrel wasteline.

At the time of our last study, which involved the estimated 1962 Budget, it was observed that the federal government, in fulfilling its constitutional obligations, would have spent \$36.6 Billion while taking \$41 Billion — even without taxes on personal incomes, estates and gifts. The same proportion between income and expenditures would exist today. However, Rep. James B. Utt (R-Calif.), in a newsletter to his constituents, blew the whistle on actual projected federal expenditures in 1967 of some \$175 Billion!

Consider this: If in 1962, with the Liberty Amendment in effect, federal spending had been but \$36.6 Billion, it is unlikely that 1967 would witness a Budget much higher than \$50 Billion — including spending for the controversial involvement in Vietnam. Compare that with Congressman Utt's astronomical projection of \$175 Billion. As a member of the House Ways and Means Committee, he should know whereof he writes.

So, give or take a few billion, the federal government will be spending in 1967 some \$125 Billion more than would be necessary if it were abiding by its powers that are delegated solely by the Constitution. If this fails to paint a vivid picture of the need for the Liberty Amendment by every segment of American society, nothing ever will.

It appears highly unlikely that American liberals, who advocate freedom, can conscientiously condone unlimited growth of government — the only force having the capacity for destroying freedom. The time is rapidly approaching when the chip will be down. We predict that both conservatives and liberals will abandon these identities and present a united front in favor of the Liberty Amendment — the only means left to Americans to put Uncle Sam on his much needed diet.

"For nearly 30 years the U.S. Government has tried to reduce farm output to certain levels and failed. For more than 40 years the Russian government has tried to raise farm output to certain goals, and has failed. Before long someone may conclude that governments can't farm."

— Farm Journal

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The Little 'Ol Chain-maker Arrives

Rebate to the States?

By Willis E. Stone

The most startling fiction ever invented by the federal bureaucracy is the idea that the revenue left over every year from the personal income tax collections should be shared with the States.

This is wishful thinking if we ever saw it. Here are the States — our best line of defense against being swallowed by Washington — entering the conspiracy to sell out our State sovereignty under the pretense that they, in some way, will be enriched in the process.

When did federal tax collections last exceed federal spending? And where does tax money come from if not from the people residing and working in the States? Is the "ten percent of tax collections" the States are going to claim just "federal" money that blew in from the wild blue yonder? Is there so much money the federal bureaucrats can't manage to spend it themselves?

Or isn't it a fact the United States Government is more than a trillion dollars worse off than broke — with no surplus in sight in the foreseeable future? And, isn't it a fact that federal spending is pulling the States into the same tragic financial disaster through the whole line-up of "federal aid"?

So, where is the money coming from to "share" with the States? From you the taxpayer, of course. But you are already groaning under the burden of taxes at every level of government; and you have been asking that the tax-load be lightened. Apparently your appeals are not being heard or heeded.

Is more seduction of the State legislatures what we need — or is the need to find a method for binding down from mischief "by the chains of the Constitution" those whom we are obliged to trust with power? If we are to bind down these profligate spendthrifts of our money, we need the chains with which to do it. The means are available in the proposed Liberty Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

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Blind Trust in Government

The average American, when first learning of the proposed Liberty Amendment to the Constitution, is at first shocked to learn the extent to which the Government has already encroached into the private sector of the economy.

Upon being further surprised by the 10th Article of the Bill of Rights restricting the federal government to those powers delegated by the Constitution, he is eager to give his support to the Liberty Amendment.

This is as it should be. There is nothing more futile than the flag-waving brand of patriotism which is coupled with disinterest in what our own elected officials and appointed bureaucrats are doing to cut the heart out of our Constitution — hence our liberty. The threat to personal freedom historically has been greater from home-grown tyrants than from foreign aggression. We wish it were only a threat in America. Instead, the undermining process has been taking place for several decades, and can be measured against the accompanying growth of the federal bureaucracy. A Government grows — apart from the constitutionally-delegated powers — the people's freedom diminishes accordingly.

Unfortunately, there are those who confuse patriotism with blind trust in those who govern. "But," they say, "in America, the people are the government." In reply, let this be fully understood: We govern only as long as we maintain our vigilance over those who serve us. We cease to govern when we adopt the attitude that election to office confers divine wisdom on any man or woman.

The original and primary purpose of the Liberty Amendment is to restrict the federal government to those powers specifically granted by "we the people" through the Constitution. When this is done, there will be no need for the revenue derived from the personal income tax. Thus, not only will government be restored to its proper position in doing only those things people cannot do for themselves, but all of us will benefit financially by exactly the amount we now pay each year either through withholding or on Forms 1040 and 1040-A.

If it is wrong to want to use the Constitution as the legitimate yardstick for all federal activity, then we are sadly in need of a refresher course in American history. What do you think?

The True Center

If there is a meaningful "middle-of-the-road" politically, shouldn't it be government according to the Constitution? The "left" seeks more government while the "right" seeks less. Constitutionalists know that the "more" or "less" can correctly be achieved — only — by amending the Constitution. That is why Article V was provided. No other means for changing the law of the land will do.

Question Box

Here are a few of the typical questions asked about the Liberty Amendment, along with their honest answers. Get replies to your questions by writing to Liberty Amendment Committee of the U.S.A., 6413 Franklin Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. 90028.

Q. What will the Government use for money when the personal income tax is repealed?

A. Government's constitutional functions will be adequately covered by other existing revenue. They are: corporate taxes, excise taxes, duties on imports, and other miscellaneous receipts.

Q. With an already skyrocketing national debt, won't we be in greater trouble if some of the revenues is eliminated?

A. Only if the present rate of spending were continued. The Liberty Amendment's first function after ratification will be that of restricting spending to cover those activities specified in the Constitution. After a three-year period to get spending down, and there is no longer any need for the tax on personal incomes, then the 16th (income tax) Amendment will be repealed by the fourth section of the Liberty Amendment.

Q. Will the Liberty Amendment do away with Social Security?

A. Since the Constitution does not authorize the Government to be in the insurance business, the Amendment would prevent further new entries into the federal "social security" program. However, since there is an obligation to those who have paid, and are now paying, into the program, Congress would be obliged to transfer it into the hands of the private insurance companies. As you know, these companies operate under rigid State laws and must maintain sound financial structures. They are not permitted to operate with a mounting annual deficit (a very shaky financial situation) as the federal government does.

Q. The Liberty Amendment would restrict the Government to the Constitution's "specified" powers. What about "implied" powers?

A. The implied powers are only those directly connected with specified powers. Example: Congress is instructed by the Constitution to maintain our national defense. All details for doing so could not be written into the Constitution; so it is "implied" that there must be personnel who are recruited, trained and equipped to do the job.

Q. Haven't TVA, federal housing and other federal programs done much good for many people?

A. Close scrutiny of any federal program usually reveals that it has done a much less efficient job than would have been done by private operation

controlled by law and required to serve its customers well in order to survive. No federal agency should be operating without constitutional authority. If the people (not the Government) believe an activity should be handled by the Government, the Constitution can be amended.

Q. What will happen to our defense program?

A. It will be strengthened. It is reliably estimated that about half of the annual defense budget is spent on business-type activities which could and should be handled by tax-paying private firms.

Q. What about all the social problems? How could they be solved without "federal aid"?

A. Where does this "federal" money come from if not from the pockets of "local" citizens? Problems are not really the problems of "society" but of individuals, and they are mostly economic in nature. Can you imagine how many of your own economic problems you could solve if it were not for the federal income tax drain on your own pocketbook? Multiply this by everyone else who pays taxes and you will begin to question why your "problem solving" dollars must first be channeled into Washington, D.C.

Q. Would the Liberty Amendment eliminate corporation income taxes?

A. No. The language of the Amendment specifies "personal incomes." A corporation is legally regarded as a "thing," not a person.

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young Americans who reject "revealed truths" and bureaucratic "master plans" as illogical.

The Amendment is now being recognized by young intellectuals and activists as the way to dramatize the issue of freedom vs. slavery. It is being discussed at model legislatures and congresses, at rallies, conventions and organizational meetings.

Membership in our Youth Council was up 50 percent in the last quarter of 1966 and should at least double or triple in 1967. More than 100,000 copies of this paper and similar items will be distributed to and by young people in the next six months alone.

The Liberty Amendment is an idea whose time has come — and within two or three years is certain to be a major issue on campuses, in coffee shops, and wherever young people gather. The Liberty Rebellion is on!

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maximum benefit for the general public."

Why has consideration been given to possible "disposal" of public lands by the solons on the Potomac? The Public Land Law Review Commission admits federal ownership of 770 million acres—"about one third of the nation's total land area."

That this has created a problem is also confessed: "Many of the major land laws, still in effect, date back a century and more. Meanwhile, conflicts for use of the land by a growing population have multiplied. Federal land managers have operated amidst a legal jungle containing many conflicting policy objectives as well as conflicting details of administration."

In other words, SNAFU prevails as can always be expected when federal bureaucrats attempt to run anything within the States.

What this means to the American people was brought out in a Freedom Magazine editorial last November: "Undeniably, 'public lands' pose a serious and costly problem for the United States Government, with such costs being borne by America's taxpayers in two ways: 1. The direct costs of maintaining a multitude of bureaus and departments whose many functions frequently overlap and interfere with each other; 2. The fact that more than a third of America's total land area is untaxable."

Texan Opinion

Jerry Seely, Land Commissioner of Texas and Gov. Connally's representative on PLLRC, said this: "It will benefit all concerned to remove the federal government from the landlord status and thus eliminate the numerous problems created by the federal government in attempting to make general rules, regulations and

policies applying to all States of the Union. I feel that the time has come to increase the revenue from our (now) federally owned lands."

Sadler declared local experts and State officials to be far better qualified "to manage, control and lease lands within their boundaries." He said Texas and many other States "have shown their ability to manage the lands within their boundaries with the utmost efficiency and toward the best development."

Founders Agreed

Evidently, the nation's founders would have agreed with Sadler's position. In writing the Constitution, they decided that Congress should have exclusive control over acquired land, under three conditions: (1) that such land be "purchased," (2) with the consent of the State Legislature in which the land lies, and (3) the land must be acquired for stated purposes authorized by the Constitution.

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thorized by other portions of the Constitution. (See Art. 1, Sec. 8, Par. 17.)

In limiting federal acquisition to specific purposes, it also must have been the feeling of the founding fathers that those closest to the land would be most able to administer it properly and to solve the many problems which were bound to arise.

Liberty Amendment

Writing for the special Public Lands Issue of Freedom Magazine, Gordon van B. King said: "The Liberty Amendment does not contain any provisions relating specifically to federal land holdings and acquisitions. It does state, however, in Section One that 'The Government of the United States shall not engage in any business, professional, commercial, financial or industrial enterprise, except as specified in the Constitution.'"

"Thus, when the Amendment has been ratified, it will be perfectly clear that the Government is not authorized to carry on its business, professional, commercial, financial or industrial enterprises connected with its land holdings. . . .

"Under the Liberty Amendment, the Government will still be able to hold, utilize and acquire land for functions authorized by the Constitution; but it will be forced to stop all its activities connected with all other purposes, since they clearly are business-type activities prohibited by the Amendment."

Freedom Magazine

Freedom Magazine, the "American voice of liberty," declared editorially: "The suggestion that the Public Land Law Review Commission be guided by the Constitution's clear orders on the handling of public lands is far more than an attempt to be helpful to those who have taken on a most difficult assignment. It is a forceful reminder that the rules of the game are still on the books and

that there is no valid excuse for failing to consult them as the proper guide to action.

"The Constitution is not an abstraction, nor a permissive document," states the editorial. "It is a firm set of instructions handed down to Government by the American citizenry. It cannot be dismissed by a casual wave of the hand and incoherent muttering about the ability of self-styled experts to determine what is now 'in the public interest.'"

Definitions

According to PLLRC, "Public domain lands are defined as those lands acquired by the United States by cession from the original States of the Union or from other sovereign nations and title to which has never been divested by the United States. In addition, other lands are included which have been otherwise acquired under laws providing expressly that such lands shall be treated as public domain lands; for example, see the exchange provision of the Taylor Grazing Act (Sec. 8, 48 Stat. 1272, 43 U.S.C. 315g, as amended.)"

Acquired lands are defined: "Lands that have been obtained by the Government through purchase, gift, or other manner from non-federal sources."

The final section of PL 88-606 provides Congress' definition of "public lands": "As used in this Act, the term 'public lands' includes (a) the public domain of the United States, (b) reservations, other than Indian reservations, created from the public domain, (c) lands permanently or temporarily withdrawn, reserved, or withheld from private appropriation and disposal under the public land laws, including the mining laws, (d) outstanding interests of the United States in lands patented, conveyed in fee or otherwise, under the public land laws, (e) national forests, (f) wildlife refuges and ranges, and (g) the surface and sub-surface re-

sources of all such lands, including the disposition or restriction on disposition of the mineral resources in lands defined by appropriate statute, treaty or judicial determination as being under the control of the United States in the Outer Continental Shelf."

The Commission has held public hearings during 1965 and 1966 and is scheduling more in 1967 in various cities across the country. One of its duties is to "compile data necessary to understand and determine the various demands on the public lands which now exist and which are likely to exist in the foreseeable future."

From such data PLLRC will be expected to recommend such modifications in existing laws, regulations, policies and practices as will, in the judgment of the Commission, best serve to carry out the policy of the Congress as set forth in the Act.

Those wishing to present testimony before a Commission hearing in their areas can write to: Public Land Law Review Commission, 1730 K St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006. The Commission will forward information on hearing places and dates, with instructions for the preparation of printed copies of testimony to be given.

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How Treasury Magic Produces Perilous 'Economic Fantasia'

By Lawrence Sullivan

(Reprinted from "Christian Economics.")

Money makes bureaucracy tick — and any kind of money will do. When budget totals pass human comprehension, public accountability is no more, and run-away spending becomes a way of life.

Cash appropriations by Congress during 1966 were \$146 Billion, as compared with only \$9 Billion in 1939. While our population increased by 52 percent, federal spending multiplied by 1600 percent, plus. This is the basic outline of runaway government spending.

This raging greenback inflation already has reduced the purchasing power of the 1939 dollar to 43 cents. Reputable economists foretell a 25-cent dollar long before we actually land a man on the moon.

Self-Consuming

Inflation feeds upon itself in every avenue of economic flow. At the 1939 budget level of \$9 Billion, every federal employee on the civil rolls represented an average annual expenditure of \$10,000 for all government operations at home and abroad. But by 1965, each name on the federal civil rolls called for an average annual expenditure of \$40,000!

Military costs have advanced in like fashion. In 1948, every man in the U.S. military services called for an expenditure of \$9,700 for the year. For 1966, our same basic military establishment of 3,100,000 personnel entailed an average annual expenditure of \$20,000 per head.

These figures illustrate what happens when a nation stops keeping books. Federal civil costs per employee have multiplied by four in 27 years; and over the last 18 years, military spending has more than doubled for each person in the service.

All this money must come from taxes or borrowing. In 1939, federal tax receipts were \$5 Billion; in 1965, they were \$93 Billion. So taxes multiplied by 18 over this period of 26 years. Nevertheless, the federal debt increased in this same period by \$277 Billion (!), or an average of \$10.3 Billion each year.

Economic Fantasia

All this economic fantasia, unknown to the public, means simply that federal fiscal operations are out of control. Today, nobody in Washington can present a true balance sheet on the finances of the United States Government. A select commission of expert accountants could not derive an honest balance sheet in three months.

A special study by Congress in 1964 revealed we have 75 different loan programs operating through 22 different federal agencies. Combined federal liabilities under all these loan programs today stand at \$125 Bil-

lion—a liability nowhere hinted in the federal public debt of \$325 Billion.

Nor does anyone in Washington know how much of this liability represents honest, sound, repayable investment. In the end, all defaults will fall directly upon the public debt—and the unsuspecting taxpayer.

Treasury Magic

It is this sort of mystical bookkeeping which now has become known in the world banking community as "Treasury Magic." As one city wag put it recently in London: "They have a single-entry, double-cross system of accounting; nobody ever has the whole picture."

The maniacal rage to spend which seized official Washington early in 1933 was described impressively by Amos Pinchot in 1938. Interviewed in New York by an emissary from President Franklin D. Roosevelt early in 1934, Mr. Pinchot was urged to take a place on the board of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. He declined. In a letter to President Roosevelt four years later (May 17, 1938), Pinchot recalled his 1934 interview, naming the White House emissary:

"He said that the right way to restore buying power and bring recovery was to pour money into circulation in the greatest possible quantities and at the highest possible speed. And to illustrate his point, he remarked that the ideal thing would be for fleets of airplanes to fly over the country discharging money as they went, so that anyone needing cash could pick it up from the ground."

Deficits Into Surpluses

But there is yet another wild aspect of the new bootstrap spending theory, as presented eloquently in FDR's budget message of January 3, 1936:

"Our policy is succeeding. The figures prove it. Secure in the knowledge that steadily increasing deficits will turn in time into steadily increasing surpluses, and that it is the deficit of today which is making possible the surplus of tomorrow, let us pursue the course we have mapped."

In those days, the federal debt stood at \$34 Billion. The published figure for late October, 1966, was \$325 Billion. The deficits of today do not, alas!, make the surpluses of tomorrow.

When in mid-1933, bureaucracy's spending spree attained such proportions that the figures became alarming in one budget, trouble was averted for a time by the simple expedient of presenting the bill in two budgets every year—an operating budget and a capital investment budget. It was a happy device, which fooled most of the

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people all of the time for about ten consecutive years!

A long schedule of special tax increases was enacted in 1933 on the Presidential promise that the revenues would be applied to a special debt-retirement fund to amortize the emergency recovery expenditures over a period of 20 years. Then the emergency taxes would be repealed.

But at this point something snapped. The special revenues were not put into a sinking fund to retire the recovery bonds, but were spent like all other Treasury receipts.

By June, 1940, the federal debt still was increasing at the rate of \$11 Million a day, at which point the emergency recovery taxes of 1933 were renewed and extended for four more years; and added to them were new emergency taxes of \$650 Million a year to support U.S. rearmament, in the face of the ugly new war in Europe.

Magic vs. Reason

Not one cent of the emergency bond issues of 1933-37 had been retired with the special

taxes imposed in 1933 for that specific purpose. In the seven years 1933-40, the federal debt increased by \$20.4 Billion, or roughly \$3 Billion a year. Here, Treasury magic achieved its first great triumph over reason and arithmetic; it accomplished tax increases in Congress to avoid deficits, and at the same time accumulated deficits continuously on a scale never before known in the peacetime history of the nation. This was all accomplished on the 1934 theory that the deficits of today make the surpluses of tomorrow.

On January 5, 1937, Mr. Roosevelt submitted a formal budget showing a surplus of \$1.5 Billion. But when June 30, 1938 rolled around, the Treasury reported a deficit of \$1.4 Billion. This margin of error runs about \$8 Million a day. It is challenging to speculate upon the likely fate of a private business corporation whose public reports might be found by the S.E.C. to be in error to the tune of \$8 Million a day.

Phony Figures

Formal Congressional studies now disclose that for the seven

years 1934-40, the official budgets sent to Congress overstated receipts by 10 percent, and underestimated expenditures by 25 percent. This means simply that nobody was keeping books in Washington. (A charitable appraisal.—Ed.) How can Congress guide fiscal policy if all the budget figures are phony?

In January 1948, President Truman's original budget for fiscal 1949 tabulated a surplus of \$4.8 Billion "which should be used to reduce the public debt." This was a plan, the President added, "designed to help combat inflation."

But at June 30, 1949, there was not a surplus of \$4.8 Billion as promised in the budget message, but a deficit of \$1.8 Billion. The difference between the budget plan and the final realization was \$6.6 Billion for 1949, or a little more than \$500 Million a month! Expenditures, as it turned out, were \$2.3 Billion above the budget estimates, and revenues were short by \$4.3 Billion.

Wrong Again

Five budgets for 1960-64 forecast a combined deficit of \$5.6 Billion as of June 30, 1964. But the actual result for those five

years was a combined deficit of \$24.3 Billion.

The truth dawned eventually on Congress—under Treasury magic, budgets don't mean a thing.

History does not tell us, as yet, when we abandoned totally the basic ideal of a balanced federal budget as a matter of fixed national policy. But Sorensen presents one picture in his Kennedy elegy which probably marks an historic turning point.

Early in 1961, Sorensen relates one set of White House advisers urged a balanced budget and curtailed federal spending. Another set of advisers, with Sorensen as their spokesman at Cabinet meetings, urged more spending "to get America going again." The budget balancers are dismissed curtly by Sorensen as "the opposite faction."

"In the end, the President sided with us." (Page 400)

That single sentence tells the story of the Kennedy years.

The spenders literally ran off with the Government.

The New Economics of Keynes became the only criterion of policy.

Spend, spend, spend! With enough billions, any problem can be solved! Abolish poverty,

abolish hunger, abolish disease, abolish ignorance, abolish human depravity and public corruption—give us the billions and we will move the world to peace.

And Sorensen offers one more frank confession: "... we were determined to find fair means or foul of making the budget look balanced."

(From the above, we must chuckle sympathetically at the ignoramus who asks us indignantly: "Don't you trust the government?"—Ed.)

Resolution Forms Available

At this time, well over 6,000 organizations have approved resolutions endorsing the Liberty Amendment.

They include labor locals, veterans' organizations, service and civic clubs, chapters in both major political parties, etc.

Forms can be obtained at no cost simply by writing to Liberty Amendment Committee, 6413 Franklin Ave., Los Angeles 28, Calif.

The Constitution is your ONLY Guarantee of Personal Freedom. PROTECT IT! DEFEND IT!

Article 10**BILL OF RIGHTS**

"The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people."

(Does this sound as if the federal government can do anything it chooses under the guise of "general welfare?" Now, study the Constitution in relation to the above and to current multi-billion dollar federal programs!)

PERSONAL LIBERTY is the gift from our Creator at the time we are born. From that time on, we face restrictions upon our freedom. The most serious of these are imposed by governments over which we have little or no control.

Because of our Constitution, which was established "by the people" as a limiting contract upon the national government, the United States of America became a unique symbol of freedom—a magnet to attract persons from other nations to our shores. Today there are many who pay lip-service to this ONLY guarantee of our personal freedom... and theirs also... but remark that its only acceptable position in our modern society is "under glass." Many of them assume positions of trust and responsibility vowing to "uphold and defend" this Constitution to the best of their ability... and then proceed to ignore its clear language that explicitly defines their ONLY powers and responsibilities.

Need the American people sit idly by and watch hopelessly the continuing erosions of this world-famous guarantee of their own liberty? Must we assume there is nothing we can do about the now disgraceful actions of arrogant, spendthrift politicians and bureaucrats? Do we have to "like it or lump it?"

The answer to these questions is a resounding NO! The Liberty Amendment (full text on page two) has the power to restore the Constitution as the law of the land. Its enactment depends upon YOUR enthusiastic and dedicated support. Learn all about it, and what YOU can do in your own behalf for liberty now and in future generations. Fill out the coupon, and send it with one dollar for a large packet of information that will fill you with renewed hope for coming freedom from a bloated and power-hungry federal bureaucracy. Write NOW! It is time for real action!

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Please rush me the large packet of information about the Liberty Amendment and how it will restore individual freedom in America. I enclose one dollar to cover your costs.

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- (8) " Leaflet entitled "The Year's Editorials".
- (9) " Booklet entitled "It's Treason".
- (10) " Booklet entitled "More Truth about Vietnam".
- (11) " Booklet entitled "Vietnam".
- (12) " Leaflet entitled "Our Fourth Progress Report".
- (13) " Booklet entitled "Petition to the Congress of The US".
- (14) " Booklet entitled "Wild Statements".
- (15) " Book entitled "The Usurpers".
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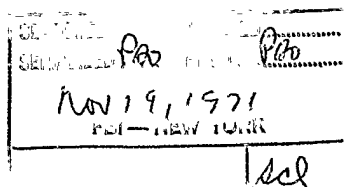
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INQUIRY IS SOUGHT ON BIRCH SOCIETY

Congressman Reveals He Is
Member—Denies Body Is
'Dictatorial' or 'Facist'

By JOHN D. MORRIS

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, March 30—Activities of the John Birch Society drew demands in Congress today for an investigation of the ultra-conservative organization and its leader, Robert H. W. Welch Jr.

Representative Francis E. Walter, Democrat of Pennsylvania, said he had ordered a preliminary inquiry by the staff of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, of which he is chairman. He expressed doubt, however, that the committee had any jurisdiction.

One legislator, Representative Edgar W. Hiestand, Republican of California, identified himself as a member of the society and said he would welcome an honest investigation. He said this would dispel charges that it was a "dictatorial, fascist" organization.

On the Senate floor, the society was denounced by Senators Thomas H. Kuchel, Republican of California, and Thomas J. Dodd, Democrat of Connecticut.

Inquiry Demanded

Senator Kuchel and Representative Henry S. Reuss, Democrat of Wisconsin, were among those who demanded an investigation.

Mr. Welch, a retired Boston candy manufacturer, founded the organization in 1958 for the avowed purpose of fighting communism. It is named for an American missionary who was executed by the Chinese Communists shortly after World War II. The size of its membership is not known, but one official has said that chapters were operating in thirty-four states.

Mr. Kuchel told the Senate today that Mr. Welch had called former President Dwight D. Eisenhower "a card-carrying Communist" and that members of the society had "besmirched" the character of Earl Warren, Chief Justice of the United States.



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He called the charges against General Eisenhower "a fantastic and incredible libel."

"Good God!" he shouted. "Should the American people and the Attorney General let that kind of spleen be poured upon one who has given his whole life to freedom?"

Senator Dodd accused Mr. Welch of affronting "both decency and intelligence" by assailing former Presidents Franklin D. Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman and Eisenhower, the late Secretary of State John Foster Dulles "and many others as Communists or Communist agents." He said this was done in a book, "The Politician," which was privately published four years ago.

Letters Are Exchanged

Representative Reuss made public an exchange of correspondence with Mr. Walter. In his letter to the Un-American Activities Committee chairman, dated March 21, the Wisconsin Democrat said his office had been "flooded with letters suggesting that Chief Justice Warren is a traitor and demanding his impeachment."

"Many of the letters are mimeographed, are similarly worded or bear other evidence of an organized campaign," he wrote.

Mr. Reuss said there were indications that the letter-writing campaign was conducted by the John Birch Society, "which is reported to have stigmatized as Communists such patriotic Americans as former President Eisenhower, former Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and Central Intelligence Agency Director Allen Dulles."

Mr. Walter, in his reply, said the committee had received "no material information which indicates that an investigation of the subject organization should, or could, be made by us under the existing statute defining the authority of the committee."

Mr. Hiestand told reporters that he had joined the organization in California "quite a while back." He said he was "quite sure" other members of Congress also belonged to the society but declined to identify any of them.

"I don't endorse absolutely everything the society stands for," he said, "but the big 98 per cent of its program is intense patriotism and anti-communism."

Churches Receive Letters

The National Council of Churches, a target of the John Birch Society, revealed here yesterday that member churches were receiving an average of "between 200 and 300 hate letters a week."

A spokesman for the council described as "completely false" the charges made by the society that the council harbored Communists and that many of the Protestant clergy were disloyal.

Most of the letters, the spokesman said, were mailed from cities in the South, the Southwest and California. The writers did not identify themselves as members of the John Birch Society, but made the same charges against the churches.

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New York, New York
April 13, 1961

Re: Communist Party,
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On April 12, 1961, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that a meeting of the National Board and invited guests of the Communist Party, United States of America (CPUSA) was held in Communist Party (CP) Headquarters, New York City, on that date.

Among those in attendance were:

Ben Davis, National Secretary, CPUSA
Jack Stachel, a member of the National Committee (NC),
CPUSA

Phil Bart, Organizational Secretary, CPUSA
Irving Potash, Labor Secretary, CPUSA
William L. Patterson, Vice Chairman, New York
District (NYD), CPUSA

[redacted] member of the NC, CPUSA
Betty Gannett, Organizational and Educational
Director, NYD, CPUSA

James Jackson, member of the NC, CPUSA, and editor
of "The Worker"

[redacted] member of the NC, CPUSA
George Morris, Labor Columnist for "The Worker"

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At the outset, there was heated discussion concerning the text of a cablegram being sent to Premier Khrushchev congratulating the Soviet Union on the successful launching of a man in space. According to Ben Davis, he, Davis, had expressed the opinion that he was satisfied

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with the cablegram as originally prepared by Gus Hall, whereas Phil Bart and Jack Stachel had changed the wording of the cablegram and gave orders that it be sent regardless of the fact that Davis felt it was satisfactory as originally written. Davis claimed that Stachel had no right to change the cablegram without having a previous discussion with him and he, therefore, considered Stachel's action as chauvinism.

Stachel claimed that Davis was always shouting chauvinism but probably actually does not know what it means.

Irving Potash said that the cablegram should have been shown to Davis again after it was changed in order to obtain his approval inasmuch as Davis is National Secretary of the Party. He stated, however, that he hesitated to agree with Davis' characterization of this as white chauvinism.

After some further discussion during which Stachel and Davis shouted at each other, each accusing the other of being insulting, Davis agreed that if Irving Potash's point of view represented the majority point of view of those present, he would be willing to let the matter rest. There was no further discussion on this point.

William Patterson then discussed the situation with regard to Henry Winston, a CP functionary currently serving time in prison. He proposed that on Mother's Day, the Party have [redacted] in Washington, D. C. accompanied by a group of women to appear before the Attorney General or the Parole Board. He felt that this might create sentiment in favor of Winston throughout the country, particularly among women.

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Ben Davis then gave a report on the John Birch Society. He described the society as demonstrating a reaction to the growing struggle and strength of the labor movement, the Negro people and advanced peace forces. He said it is also a reaction to the growing strength of the Soviet Union and socialist camp. He described the Birch Society as an extremely aggressive militant group which has Fascist aims and objectives. He noted that its whole program is built on the concept of fighting Communism. It is for the repeal of all social and economic legislation for the last thirty years. It is for the impeachment of Chief Justice Warren, because of his desegregation decision and the recent decisions of the Supreme Court on the Smith Act. It is for repealing the income tax, withdrawing from NATO, withdrawing from all foreign aid and for the ending of all trade with Socialist countries. According to Davis, the Birch Society has units in approximately 34 states and is an operating and going concern. He stated that it is a national council composed of very important and powerful forces and that the society is linked with other "right" organizations in the country. He asserted that in the South, the Birch Society is linked with the White Citizens Council and the Ku Klux Klan.

Davis said that the Party must call for complete exposure of the Birch Society. He said that it should be pointed out that there is evidence to the effect that they believe in violence and "we should call for their outlawing and prosecution."

Following Davis' report, others present asserted that the Birch Society is setting up an enormous press apparatus and has now reached the point where the members want to organize for the 1962 elections.

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Irving Potash commented that the charges that Eisenhower is an agent of the Communist conspiracy are not made because these people believe they are true but are used as a method of blackmail similar to the methods of the late (Senator) McCarthy. According to Potash, the John Birch Society has arisen as a result of the decay and decline of imperialism and capitalism and national frustration as a result of the challenge of the Socialist world and Cuba and the defeat administered to the United States policy in the colonial world. He said the Party can make a contribution by developing forces to challenge these Fascist elements.

Jim Allen said the Party should demand that organizations of this type be investigated as subversive and that these investigations be conducted by Robert Kennedy, the Attorney General.

The CPUSA has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

"The Worker" is an East coast Communist weekly publication.

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There are transmitted herewith eight copies of a letterhead memorandum concerning a meeting of the National Board and invited guests of the CPUSA, held in CP Headquarters, NYC, on 4/12/61.

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news Features, contacted BEN DAVIS at CP Headquarters,
NYC. (he did not ask for DAVIS by name but asked for the
Director of the Party). [REDACTED] wants some comments
on the JOHN BIRCH Society and arrangements to come in at 2
pm on Monday, 4/17/61, were made.

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TO : S.A.C. New York

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FROM :

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At 4:10 AM this date

[redacted] called and stated that a man

[redacted] approached him and tried to get him to join the John Birch Society. [redacted] refused to give any additional information over the phone but insisted that he thought we should know what this man said about the JBS.

The writer advised [redacted] that if he wanted to he could come in anytime and we would be glad to take the information he had to offer.

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is all O.K. & for the good
of the best people -

Now Kind Sir, if you
wish to do a good deed fight
the N. A. A. C. P.

Fight it Hard
Fight it every day -

Ask the Hon. Atty. Gen. R. J. Kennedy
to investigate & do away with
this horrid N. A. A. C. P. at once
Yours

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Dear

I can understand why the Kennedy
Plan stick their mouths into every issue,
if they disregard ethics, honesty, and practice
deception whenever there is the possibility
to secure the Negro Vote, but I am
sorry to see so many of our Jewish
people who also would do well
to keep their mouths a little more
in line with and in keeping the
continued good will of a surely tried
people. Your statement regarding the
Buck Society (the only honest group who are associated
with faith, honesty, principle, and concern for the
Nation) while you subscribe for jobs sent by Jews,
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April 24th, 1961.

Federal Bureau of Investigation,
201 East 69th Street,
New York, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

In my capacity as honorary president of the
Rabbinical Council of America, I have made
a statement to the press with regard to the
John Birch Society. For your information, I am
enclosing a number of letters which I received.
Perhaps you ought keep them on file for whatever
purpose they may ultimately be put.



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May 1, 1961

[Redacted]
The Jewish Center of Far Rockaway,
Far Rockaway, New York.

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Dear [Redacted]

I would like to acknowledge receipt
of your letter of April 24th, 1961.

Very truly yours,

HGF
H. G. FOSTER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK
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1 - New Haven (100- [redacted] (RM) (p.3)
1 - Norfolk (100- [redacted] (RM) (p.2,3)
1 - Philadelphia (100- [redacted] (RM) (p.4)
1 - New York [redacted] (INV 1142)
1 - New York (100-91923) [redacted] 424 (p.3)
1 - New York (100-123289) (CARL BRADEN) (412) (p.2,3,4,5)
1 - New York (100-120476) [redacted] (412) (p.2,3,4,5)
1 - New York (100-83801) [redacted] (421) (p.4,5)
1 - New York (100-140878) (Youth Committee to Abolish HCUA) (41)
1 - New York (100-138313) [redacted] (421) (p.3)
1 - New York (100-144597) (John Birch Society) (412)
1 - New York (100-117844) [redacted] (424) (p.4)
1 - New York (100-120455) [redacted] () (p.4)
1 - New York (100-90750) (RUSS NIXON) (424) (p.4,5)
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On Friday April 21st 1961 a rally was held at the St. Nicholas Center located at 69 West 66th Street New York City. The event was sponsored by the Council to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC). A few hundred N.Y. City Police were scattered throughout a two block area of the Center in order to keep order in case of any disturbances. Wooden barriers lined both sides of the streets as a large group of about two hundred college youths picketed the south side of 66th Street directly opposite the entrance of the St. Nicholas Center. They were carrying posters which resembled a ballot. The top line showed a "Yes" vote to Strengthen the House Un-American Activities Committee. The lower line showed a "No" vote to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee. There was some "chanting" going on from the poster holders but order remained as they were restrained from passing through the barriers. The rally which finally started about 8:45 P.M. showed a near capacity seating crowd. It was opened by [redacted] who welcomed all those present briefly stated the purpose of the rally which is to abolish the HUAC. [redacted] said that the worst offender of the Bill of Rights and the First Amendment is the HUAC.

CARL BRADEN was the first speaker and he started by saying that [redacted] and he would be going to jail in ten days. In about a year they will be followed by PETE [redacted]. BRADEN said, unless all of you people here do a lot of yelling while we are in jail. Mr. BRADEN spoke of his good friend and lawyer from Norfolk, a [redacted] (ph.). BRADEN said that [redacted] is one of the leaders of the sit-in movement in the south. Speaking about the HUAC, mr. BRADEN said that their objective is to hold back those who are trying to help the racial problem in the south. Commenting on his forthcoming trip to jail he said that he has been sentenced because he and [redacted] have been working uncompromisingly for segregation in the south. His beliefs and associations BRADEN said are no business of HUAC. The internal situation in the south is up in arms over he. and [redacted] being sent to jail. One of CARL BRADENS final remarks was that he hopes all will continue the struggle while he is gone.

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[] returned to the rostrum and remarked of the great number of youths who had attended the rally. He said that youth committees to abolish the HUAC are spread on campuses all over the country. [] said that [] would not be present at the rally as he had a speaking engagement with a youth group in Providence.

Next speaker was a colored man named [] [] purposely started off talking slow and quietly. He then increased the tone of his voice and spoke very loud. His remark that the colored people of the south want the same freedom that these people have tonight brought a tremendous applause. He went on to point out various situations which were taking place now and ended each item with a loud "we shall not be moved." [] said that we have the support of white people in the south and that the white southerner does not hate the segregation. Before leaving the rostrum [] led the audience in a song called "We Shall Not Be Moved".

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[] was the next speaker and was introduced as the secretary of the committee to abolish the HUAC. One of [] opening statements was that the HUAC is an un-constitutional committee. She said that students are becoming more aware of this every day. CARL BRADEN and [] have become leaders and winners in the eyes of the youth she said. [] went on to say that if the public knew how the HUAC is conducted that there would not be that committee today. Speaking for the youths, she said that we will speak up now and will be heard now and will form picket lines now to be seen. She said that we must fight the committee until it is wiped out.

[] took the floor once again and said that the Committee of Legal Aid has just notified this Committee that seven lawyers will be available for those who have to appear before the HUAC in New York in the future.

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The next speaker was announced as the Editor of the York Gazette, [redacted] [redacted] early remarks were about the present John Birch Society. He said that it resembles the old America First Committee. The society he said is in a campaign against Justice WARREN. HUAC is not a legal investigative branch of the government, [redacted] said and that they have always operated as a National hate group.

[redacted] was introduced and opened by saying that he had many messages from friends who said that it would be best if he did not appear at this rally. [redacted] said that he considers it a privilege to speak from the same platform which includes CARL BRADEN, [redacted] and [redacted] educated the audience on some recent cases with the HUAC. One was about the meetings at the summer camp of [redacted] and another was about [redacted] (nh) and his teacher methods at Vassar. Included in [redacted] speech was a part where he read part of the statement of the presiding Judge who reigned over the Atlanta court whereat [redacted] was apprehended.

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[redacted] was then introduced and given a thunderous ovation. He spoke very little and said that he would play a song on his guitar which was written by a friend named [redacted] This song called "Why" was mentioned at many of the trials and [redacted] wanted the audience to hear it. [redacted] played other songs some of which the audience joined him in singing.

Mr. RUSS NIXON then took the floor and expressed appreciation for all six thousand who had attended the rally. He said that he hopes to see twenty thousand at their next rally in Madison Square Garden next year. Mr. NIXON continued by naming many unions throughout the county who are supporting this committee tonight. He told how professors in colleges such as Columbia, Harvard, and Rutgers are given their support. He went on to praise [redacted] for helping them in the past.

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Mr. NIXON told the audience that baskets were being passed and that donations were needed to pay the salary of CARL BRADEN and [redacted] while they are in jail. Some checks were announced as to the amounts and the contributors name. One donation was \$100.00 from [redacted] and another was \$25.00 from [redacted]. Mr. NIXON said that a new campaign will be started from Atlanta immediately after BRADEN and [redacted] go to jail. He said that everyone will be asked to write to the President to help get them out.

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[redacted] was the last speaker but only spoke for a short period as the rally was running out of time. He said that by sending him to jail that the majority of the Supreme Court sanctioned the efforts of the HUAC even though it is unconstitutional. One of [redacted] parting comments was that the HUAC will some day be abolished and the First Amendment restored. He said that [redacted] CARL BRADEN and himself are now prepared to pay the price.

The group was adjourned about 11 P.M. and many college youths carrying posters were still outside the building heckling those who were coming out of the St. Nicholas Center.

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MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES

DATE: 5/15/61

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-142201)

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The rally to abolish HUAC was held April 21, 1961, in the St. Nicholas Arena's Grand Ballroom at 8 P.M. Present: about 6,000. It was sponsored by different groups. Many youngsters were there, partly high-school age. Some of them said they belonged to Stuyvesant High School.

Presiding at the meeting was [redacted] Referring to the outside anti-CASTRO picketline, he felt that the real Americans were inside. He spoke about the constitutional right of freedom of speech and press and attacked sharply the HUAC.

CARL BRADEN spoke lengthly about his fight for civil rights, how he has been prosecuted and his prison term that he will start next week. He praised Chief Justice WARREN, DOUGLAS, BRENNAN & BLACK who voted against his and [redacted] imprisonment.

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[redacted] one of BRADEN's attorneys, a Negro from Norfolk, Va. told about the situation in the South, and asked for equal rights. His motto was: "We shall not be moved."

[redacted] on behalf of the youth, strongly protested against HUAC and praised the students of Los Angeles who demonstrated against it last year. [redacted] made fun of the John Birch Society and the YAF (Young Americans for Freedom). He called the attention to his booklet "Hate Groups and the HUAC."

[redacted] pointed out that he was well aware that his political future was in danger by appearing at the meeting, but he spoke about the duty of a man to show where he belongs.

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[redacted] announced that a letter will be written to President KENNEDY, asking for executive clemency for CARL BRADEN and [redacted] Collection was taken up to support their families while imprisoned.

Because of the late hour and departure of the audience, [redacted] only said a "see you next year."

Between the speeches [redacted] sang and played the guitar.

The meeting was adjourned shortly after 11 PM.
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membership. The next paragraph added that [redacted], the head of the JBS, was not present at the talk, and that the JBS was not discussed by [redacted]

[redacted] was very much upset by the article because she said it was a deliberate lie and a plot on the part of someone to destroy her and the magazine, "WASH-," and to discredit the fight against communism. She also said that the article was an attempt to limit in effect what she supported the JBS and/or to force her to take a position on that subject.

[redacted] explained that she had been invited to speak before the AI by the [redacted]

[redacted] at the suggestion of HENRY WALLACE, AI President. [redacted] stated that her topic was to be "The No. One Issue - 'WASH-'" While waiting, one of the arrangements for the talk, [redacted] and [redacted] agreed that the JBS would not be discussed.

[redacted] arrived at the hall where she was to speak somewhat tardy because of traffic congestion. As she entered the hall, [redacted] of the affair, was explaining to the audience that [redacted] would not discuss the JBS.

[redacted] In her talk, did not mention the JBS. During the question and answer period which followed her talk, she was asked if the JBS would become the subject of a Senate investigation. The chairman immediately raised the question out of order. However, [redacted] remarked that since she was neither a Senator nor a member of the JBS, she was in no position to answer the question.

As the affair ended, one of the audience introduced himself to [redacted] as [redacted] of the "New Bedford Standard-Times."

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[redacted] wanted the Bureau to be informed that:

- 1) She had been invited to speak on this affair by the AI at the suggestion of its president, [redacted]
- 2) She did not mention the JBS during her talk.
- 3) [redacted] made it clear that she was not a member of the JBS.
- 4) Some time ago, she declined an invitation to write for "American [redacted]", which is published by the JBS.

[redacted] solicited suggestions as to whether she should do anything to correct the implication made by the article [redacted] of the JBS. She was politely informed [redacted] could give advice in this matter. After [redacted] [redacted] she would call [redacted] editor of the "Standard Times", and discuss this [redacted]

[redacted] called later to report that she had discussed the matter with [redacted] he informed [redacted] he was the Massachusetts [redacted] of the JBS and that [redacted] had sent out letters to members of the JBS recommending that they might want to hear her speak. [redacted] promised to publish a blurb to explain that she was not a member of the JBS and that she had spoken at a meeting sponsored by the AI at the invitation of the AI.

This is being furnished to the Bureau as it is possible that [redacted] may at some future date contact the Bureau and refer to the information set out herein.

A copy is being forwarded to Boston, inasmuch as it contains information regarding personalities and activities in that area.

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On 5/11/61, [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the following concerning a conversation held in the office of BETTY GANNETT at CP headquarters, NYC, on that date:

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GANNETT informed [REDACTED] that she spoke at Queens College the day previous (5/10/61). GANNETT said that she replaced [REDACTED] in a debate with [REDACTED] which had been arranged by the Y.P.S.L. group on the campus. GANNETT said [REDACTED] is a clever debator, is very tricky; the usual Trotskyite sort of thing. GANNETT continued that there are problems she is not convinced the Communists have the correct answers to. She said that they have class ANSWERS, but a class ANSWER is not always convincing. GANNETT said that she was not certain that with the conditions of today, they can take a class position on the question of freedom of speech. GANNETT used the arguments against the Birch Society, the fact that HITLER was not considered a DAVIL at the start either, but that that argument just did not go over.

[REDACTED] brought up that a bureaucracy runs the Soviet Union and rules by a police state. GANNETT said her reply to that was that even dedicated men will sometimes resort to means that are not in keeping with the humanist essence of their ideas.

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- 1 - New York (100-128804) [REDACTED] (415)
- 1 - New York (100-80332) [REDACTED] (415)
- 1 - New York (100-8414) (Y.P.S.L. QUEENS COLLEGE) (413)
- 1 - New York (100-118063) [REDACTED] (413)
- 1 - New York (100-144597) (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY) (41)
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The question was also raised of defectors from the Soviet Union to which GANNETT said there will be always some who are like Judas. She pointed out that when the Nazis invaded the Soviet Union, the people did not take the opportunity to overthrow the government, but fought off the invader. [redacted] said that was due to Russian nationalism, but GANNETT answered that [redacted] was equating nationalism with Chauvinism.

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GANNETT said that she must admit she felt very dissatisfied with herself.



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In Reply, Please Refer to
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Bu 100-3-69

New York, New York
June 22, 1961

Re: Communist Party,
United States of America -
Organization

A Confidential Source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on June 21, 1961, that a meeting of the National Board and invited guests of the Communist Party, United States of America (CPUSA) was held in Communist Party (CP) headquarters, New York City, on that date. Among those in attendance were:

Jack Stachel, member of National Committee (NC), CPUSA
Gus Hall, General Secretary, CPUSA
[redacted] member of NC, CPUSA
James Jackson, member of NC and editor of "The Worker"
Irving Potash, Labor Secretary, CPUSA
William Weinstone, member of NC, CPUSA
Ben Davis, National Secretary, CPUSA
William Patterson, Vice Chairman, New York District
(NYD), CPUSA
[redacted] member of NC, CPUSA
[redacted] Youth Director, CPUSA
Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, Chairman, CPUSA
Carl Winter, member of NC, CPUSA

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[redacted] gave a report on the danger from "rightest forces." He said the "thrust from the right" comes from the following:

1. Establishment of the membership organization, the John Birch Society.

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2. The emergence of military and reactionary forces or as "The New York Times" put it yesterday, "Right Wingers in uniform with civilian factions."
3. The world situation as created by [] Intelligence Agency (CIA) and the phenomena of the revolt of the French generals.

[] expressed concern over the growth of the John Birch Society and its growing activity within the armed forces. He said "this and similar organizations cannot be considered crackpot." He called for a united front to help develop the broad program needed to ward off the danger from "the right."

In the discussion which followed, James Jackson, Gus Hall, William Weinstone and Ben Davis agreed with [] report.

[] stated that the "open letter" seeking the support of the American people was accepted for publication in "The New York Times." (It appeared as an advertisement in "The New York Times" issue of June 22, 1961). He said 75,000 copies of the letter have been printed and distributed. According to [] it will be printed in many other papers and "will receive extremely wide coverage."

[] commented that a filmed interview of Party officers is contemplated and failing in this, an interview will be put on records at a very reasonable cost.

In conclusion, [] noted that a campaign is being launched to secure the signatures of those who signed the amicus brief for a petition addressed to President Kennedy. He said the petition has been drafted and is now in the process of being sent out.

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William Patterson recommended that the dissents of Chief Justice Warren and Justice Black be sent to each District and the Warren dissent in particular be sent to every law school in the country with a request that it be discussed in the law school.

Carl Winter said that at a meeting of the Midwest Regional Committee held the preceding week, a decision was reached with Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Missouri and Minnesota, who were represented, to organize in quick order "Freedom of the Press" conferences. He noted that these conferences will revolve around "The Worker" on the basis that the press is being challenged by the United States Supreme Court decisions. According to Winter, these conferences will be held in the next three weeks; Minnesota, June 25; Michigan, July 5; Chicago, June 30; Cleveland did not set a date; Wisconsin and St. Louis to send in their dates and Indiana to participate with Chicago.

Winter mentioned that the Party now has the "Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties" nationally; Chicago has the "Bill of Rights Committee" and Los Angeles the "Committee on the First Amendment." He called for the holding of a national conference within the next three weeks with invitations extended to every existing civil liberties organization.

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There are transmitted herewith 8 copies of a letterhead memorandum concerning a meeting of the National Board and invited guests of the CPUSA held in NYC, 6/21/61.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-81675) DATE: 7-25-61

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-33737)

SUBJECT: CP, USA - PAMPHLETS AND PUBLICATIONS
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On July 18, 1961, [] who has furnished reliable information in the past, made available to SAS [] and [] two pamphlets just issued by the Communist Party, USA (CP, USA) which are described as follows:

A pamphlet entitled, "The Fascist Revival..the inside story of the John Birch Society..who is in it? who is behind it? who directs and finances it?" by MIKE NEWBERRY, price 35¢, and described therein as published by the New Century Publishers, New York, June, 1961.

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A pamphlet entitled, "Riding to Freedom," described thereon as issued by HERBERT APTHEKER and JAMES E. JACKSON, and published in June, 1961, by the New Century Publishers, New York.

A review of this publication reflects short biographies concerning JACKSON and APTHEKER. The first article on page one, entitled "Riding to Freedom" is attributed to HERBERT APTHEKER. The article appearing on page 13 of this publication entitled, "What Must Be Done," is attributed to JAMES E. JACKSON.

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-104401)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-59001)
RE: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
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(Conceal, his request) established contact of Los Angeles Office, confidentially advised that the "Route 66" Television Company will be in Boston in late August and expects to shoot on August 29, 1961 in the City of Boston an episode in the television series to be titled "To Walk With the Serpent." The main character will be a person bearing the name, "JOHN BRACHMONT" or similar, and the film is indicated as bearing on the theme of the John Birch Society, and appealing to readers of such journals as "Harper's", "Saturday Review of Literature" and "The Nation".

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[redacted] stated that the story or script will be done by [redacted] and production by [redacted]

Review of Los Angeles Indices shows nothing subversive derogatory identifiable with either [redacted] or [redacted]

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Instant "Route 66" station is sponsored on television by Chevrolet.

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Gentlemen:

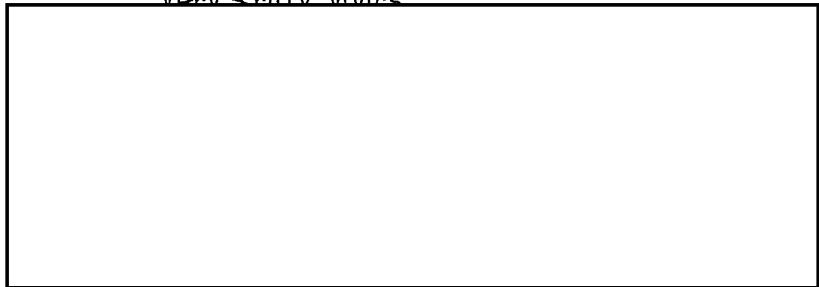
I have been approached by some friends to join an organization known as the John Birch society.

The reason I am writing you is that I am confused in my own mind as what, if any, the Bureau's position is concerning this organization.

Joining this group may advance my "contacts" so to speak in the business world but by the same token I do not want to join anything that may be frownd upon by the Bureau or the U.S.Government, or that is on someone's list.

Any advice you can give me concerning this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours



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Dear 

I would like to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 26, 1961 in which you make certain inquiry.


While I would like to be of service, I wish to advise that information in Federal Bureau of Investigation files is confidential and available for official use only. Your attention is called to the fact that the Federal Bureau of Investigation is strictly a fact-finding agency, and it is not within the limits of its prescribed functions to draw conclusions or make evaluations as to the character and integrity of any organization or individual.

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Very truly yours,

H. G. FOSTER
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Identity of Source: [redacted] who has furnished
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Description of Info: Meeting of Williamsbridge CP
Club, 10/6/61, at 2504 Olinville
Ave., Bronx, NY

Date received: 10/17/61

Received by: SA [redacted] (written)

Original location: NY [redacted]

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A copy of informant's report is set forth as follows:

Oct. 14/61

There was a meeting of the Williams Bridge Club at [redacted]

[redacted] This is [redacted] on
10/6/61. There were 13 people present. They were - [redacted]

[redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]
[redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted]
[redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted] - [redacted] - and a new man not seen
before. [redacted]

[redacted] - Is the girl that had a birthday party in
[redacted] apt_ several months ago. It was her 20th
birthday then. She is tall and slender and very pretty. Wears
dark framed glasses that seem to have slightly tinted lenses.
Long brown hair - cut short in the front and done up in the back.

The meeting began as usual with the collecting of dues
and Fund Drive money, and the sale of Party literature. [redacted]
[redacted] said that they would have a discussion on the National
Assembly meeting in St. Nicholas Arena.

[redacted] announced that the person who was to come and
speak from the National Office could not come. In the talk that
followed it came out that WM. WEINSTONE was the one that had been
expected but he had had to go to Boston and could not come.

[redacted] said that he had attended the National
Assembly on Saturday as well as on Sunday and had met old
friends there that he had not seen in years and some he had
known as long ago as 1918 and 1920. He said that [redacted]
had recently been married and that the young people wanted to
treat him to a show on Sunday night but he had told them that
he had a better place to go and when he explained where he was
going they went along with him to the St. Nicholas Arena and
enjoyed it very much. He said that neither of them was a member
of the C.P. but that he had hopes of bringing them in before long.

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[] spoke of the Primaries and said that the reform group had won despite the efforts of ADAM CLAYTON POWELL to disrupt. She said that all who could possibly find time to give to the campaign would find the place to work from at 941 East Tremont Ave. 1359 White Plains Road - and 660 E. 233 St. She said they would have a discussion on it later - but before she could get to this discussion [] came in. When he began to talk all thought of any discussion was forgotten. Every one seemed to be completely fascinated by when [] had to say.

He said that he was the Program Chairman of the Committee - local chapter of the Jewish War Vets. He said he had just come from passing around posters in candy stores, butcher shops, and grocery stores on a meeting that [] be held by the J.W.V. at 2440 Elplanade - It seems that the place is a Synagog. He said they were recruiting posters, and that they said "Fight anti-semitism- and called for all Jewish War Vets to come to the meeting and to join up if they do not yet belong. He said that while men like [] and other "bourgeois" headed the organization, the membership was very democratic and it was possible for the C.P. to move along very freely within the organization. He gave a for-instance - in telling about a speech that was to be made - or that was made by BEN DAVIS. He said that some one said that BEN was a Communist and several other [] had said it did not matter to them if he was, that he had a right to be heard.

[] said that there was a rumor that a deal was going on in Washington to favor the Arabs in return for their support of the U. S. in the United Nations. He said the J.W.V. was very Israel conscious and most of them do not think that the C.P. is a threat to the U. S. That they think that the greatest threat to the U. S. comes from such organizations as the Burch Society and the ROCKWELL followers. He said that the very wealthy who dominate the J.W.V. are very liberal.

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Here [] seemed to be very excited and he went into a long speech about how [] could work in the J.W.V. organization and pointed out that he should work on the idea that the Arabs are discriminated and enslaved and that there should be an understanding between the poor Arabs who are used to fight Israel. They should begin a campaign to bring these Arabs over to their side in the support of Israel and he thinks that once they teach the poor Arabs that they are being used and they can be won over. He said that Idrael can not exost unless they do manage to build up good relations with the Arabs who are kept in feudalism. He pointed out that Israel can not expect any help from the U.S. if they agree to support the Arabs and the only salvation for Israel is in making good relations with the discriminated Arabs. He ended his talk with the statement - "You can't keep quiet about discrimination there when the U.S. is fighting National discrimination. Use this but don't expose yourself. Thry not to have any head-on collisons. Work easy, useing their own views. Have private discussion with small groups. You can educate them slowly. You are doing excellent work, [] and we are very proud of you."

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[] said that this Organization is not prepared for any criticism of Israel and that he would have to be very carefull and tactful. [] said that he should go along with them gently and inject the idea a little at a time that the U. S. is not going to defend Israel and that the only hope Idrael can possibly have of survival is in good realtions with the feudalistic population of Arabs.

[] had to leave the meeting at 10: P.M. and after he was gone it seemed that no one could think of anything else to talk about. [] tried to get in a discussion about the National Assembly again and told how there were 1000 deligates from 20 States represented. [] was not listening as he kept saying he wished that [] had not had to leave as he had

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much more to say about the work he was doing in the J.W.V. The meeting just sort of fell apart at this time and without any announcement that it was over people began to leave. No one knew where the next meeting would be held but [redacted] said they would be notified.

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The new man spoke only once and that was to praise the N. Y. Times for printing the Soviet speeches. He said that they had given what amounted to a scientific analysis that was as fascinating as a book and that our youth was reading these statements in groups. Many have clipped the speeches and put them together like a book.

Description of the new man. Age 30-34 - Brown straight hair. Height 5- 8-10. Weight 185-90. Very blue eyes. No glasses. Fair. Wears plain gold wedding band. No hat - no coat. White shirt - gray pants. Black shoes. Lives in nearby project. While he was clean and neat - his fingernails looked as tho he did some rather dirty work.

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK

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FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
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Sheriff JOHN HOY, Westchester County, advised today that one of his deputies had been invited to attend the home of a neighbor on Fri. evening, 11/24/61 for the purpose of seeing a film to be shown by a member of the John BIRCH SOCIETY.

The neighbor at whose home the affair is to be held is [REDACTED] N.Y. He is employed as a Secretary by YMCA in NYC.

Sheriff HOY stated that his deputy will attend and information concerning the gathering will be made available.

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Thunder Against the Right

Since last spring, when the John Birch Society was flushed from the secrecy of its chapter meetings into public view, a new and militant minority of the far right has increasingly become a force to reckon with in U.S. political life. But last week came the reaction—and across



PRESIDENT KENNEDY
JOE SCHERSCHEL—LIFE

"Neither warmongers nor appeasers . . .

the land, there was thunder against the ultra right.

At the annual meeting of the National Catholic Welfare Conference in Washington, the U.S. Roman Catholic hierarchy accepted a study report from the conference's Department of Social Action, which attacked chauvinistic extremists who "divert attention from critical Communist gains in Asia, Africa and Latin America." The report was presented by Archbishop William E. Cousins of Milwaukee and written by Father John F. Cronin, the N.C.W.C.'s famed expert on Communist infiltration of labor unions. Without mentioning the Birchers by name, it made clear that the warning was aimed at groups "which emphasize the danger of domestic subversion, and give little attention to the worldwide activities of Communist parties" and also "use tactics and methods borrowed from the Communist Party." The report's conclusion: "These groups are unwittingly

aiding the Communist cause by dividing and confusing Americans."

Division & Hysteria. A similar conclusion was reached by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, which represents more than 1,000,000 Reform Jews. At the close of its 46th General Assembly in Washington, the Union accused the right-wing extremists of weakening the nation by "stirring division and hysteria." "We are fearful," the Union resolved, in a statement that was also directed against left-wing radicals, "that rational discussion is being corrupted by the hatred and fear fomented by ultra-right-wing groups which exploit cold-war anxieties and the frictions engendered by integration and other social problems."

Still another attack came from Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy. In Dallas, where the ultras have a politically powerful group of adherents, Kennedy lashed the Birchers and their allies as a "tremendous danger" to the U.S. First making it clear that he had no sympathy for defeatists "who would rather be Red than dead," Kennedy went on to say: "Nor do I have any sympathy with those, who in the name of fighting Communism, sow the seeds of suspicion and distrust by making false or irresponsible charges, not only against their neighbors but against courageous teachers and public officials and against the foundations of our Government—Congress, the Supreme Court, and even the presidency itself."*

Easy Solution, Now. The most telling criticisms of the extremist groups were delivered by President John Kennedy in two speeches on his first trip to the West Coast since his inauguration. Wearing the crimson academic robe of a Harvard LL.B., and speaking above the pink geraniums in the Edmundson Pavilion of the University of Washington, Kennedy defended his foreign policies against those who "lack confidence in our long-run capacity to survive" and those who "want some quick and cheap and easy solution, now." Most Americans, he said, accept the reality that "we must face problems which do not lend themselves to easy, quick or permanent solutions. And we must face the fact that the United States is neither omnipotent nor omniscient, and that we

* In a joking aside, Bob Kennedy noted that the "only Communist the John Birchers have uncovered is President Eisenhower"—a reference to the absurd charge in Birch Society President Robert Welch's *Blue Book* that Ike was "a conscious agent of the Communist conspiracy."

cannot right every wrong or reverse each adversity, and that therefore there cannot be an American solution for every world problem."

The essential reality of a tangled world, the President continued, is that "diplomacy and defense are not substitutes for one another. Either, alone, would fail . . . At a time when a single clash could escalate overnight into a holocaust of



ARCHBISHOP COUSINS
... neither hard nor soft."

mushroom clouds, a great power does not prove its firmness by leaving the task of exploring the other's intentions to sentries or those without full responsibility. Nor can ultimate weapons rightfully be employed, or the ultimate sacrifice rightfully demanded of our citizens, until every reasonable solution has been explored.

"In short, we are neither warmongers nor appeasers, neither hard nor soft. We are Americans, determined to defend the frontiers of freedom by an honorable peace, if peace is possible, but by arms if arms are used against us."

Return to a Theme. It was a speech, said aides, that Kennedy had long wanted to get off his chest. Once having done so, the President returned to the theme time and again in his talks during a three-day tour that took him to Seattle for a banquet honoring Senator Warren Magnuson (*see box*), to Bonham, Texas, for the funeral of Sam Rayburn, to Phoenix for another ceremonial dinner for Arizona's

venerable Democratic Senator Carl Hayden, 84, and finally to Los Angeles for a Democratic fund-raising dinner.

In Los Angeles, as in Seattle, Kennedy spoke soberly against "those on the fringes of our society who have sought to escape their own responsibility by finding a simple solution, an appealing slogan or a convenient scapegoat." These "discordant voices," said the President, "look suspiciously at their neighbors and their leaders. They call for a man on horseback because they do not trust the people. They find treason in our finest churches, in our highest court, and even in the treatment of our water. They equate the Democratic

Party with the welfare state, the welfare state with socialism, and socialism with communism. They quite rightly object to politics intruding on the military—but they are anxious for the military to engage in politics."

A Different View. "But you and I and most Americans take a different view of our peril. We know that it comes from without, not within. It must be met by quiet preparedness, not provocative speeches . . . So let us not heed these counsels of fear and suspicion. Let us concentrate more on keeping enemy bombers and missiles away from our shores, and less on keeping neighbors away from our

shelters. Let us devote more energy to organizing the free and friendly nations of the world, with common trade and strategic goals, and less energy to organizing armed bands of civilian guerrillas that are more likely to supply local vigilantes than national vigilance."

Concluded the President, in a plea for national maturity and national judgment in which most of the U.S. could join: "Let our patriotism be reflected in the creation of confidence rather than crusades of suspicion. The one great irreversible trend in world history is on the side of liberty—and so, for all time to come, are we."

IN THE KITCHEN WITH MAGGIE

The man to whom President Kennedy paid tribute in Seattle last week is one of the U.S. Senate's most informal and durable personalities. In his moments of reflection, Washington Democrat Warren ("Maggie") Magnuson says of his own success: "I've been in 23 elections, big and small, and I've always had the votes. I go to the people and I listen to what they've got to say, and then I tell them what I've got to say."

After eight years in the House of Representatives and 17 in the Senate, Warren Magnuson has not changed much. "He is," says a friend, "the ever-loving, good-time-Charlie Scandinavian come out of the woods on Saturday night for fun, sociability, and a yearning to spread joy." In the cave of winds that is the U.S. Senate, Magnuson speaks seldom, putters about the aisles with an unlit cigar clenched between his teeth. Says he: "If you've got the votes, you don't need the speech, and if you need the speech, you don't have the votes." For that matter, Maggie preaches to others what he practices himself. Entering the Senate late one afternoon to drop some home-state bills into the hopper, he found Illinois' Democrat Paul Douglas delivering an epochal speech to an empty chamber. Magnuson sidled up to Douglas and whispered: "For God's sake, Paul, nobody's listening to you." The startled Douglas sat down and Maggie hopped his bills.

Magnuson's effectiveness comes from his off-chamber work as chairman of the Senate's Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, senior Democrat on the Appropriations Committee, and member of many subcommittees. All this he calls "kitchen work." Says Maggie: "The hard part is the kitchen work. These Liberals, as they call themselves, they aren't the real Liberals. They get nothing done. They want to be out on the front porch talking while the rest of us are back doing the kitchen work. Well, I'll tell you where to look if you want to find a good Senator and a good Liberal or what have you. Look in the kitchen."

As a result of his kitchen work, Magnuson can and does point with pride to the Bonneville Power Administration, the Hanford Atomic Project, a \$9,000,000 federal appropriation for Seattle's 1962 World's Fair, as well as to a healthy share of Government contracts for Seattle's Boeing plant, for the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and the Sand Point Naval Air Station. He speaks of the vast Columbia River Basin reclamation project as though he had built it himself—"This year I put up the Glen Canyon transmission



SENATOR MAGNUSON

lines." In his tribute last week, former Senator John Kennedy wryly listed Maggie's Senate techniques: "He never visits the Senate until late in the afternoon, when almost everybody has gone home. He comes in at the last minute and waits until he can have the floor, and then he says, 'What's my business? Oh, it's nothing important. Just the Grand Coulee Dam.'"

Born in Moorhead, Minn., and orphaned as an infant, Warren Magnuson grew up in Lutheran Scandinavian surroundings, roamed the Northwest as a young man picking crops, put himself through the University of Washington and its law school, was elected to the state legislature in 1932, and became King County (Seattle) prosecutor in 1934. Two years later he won his seat in the House and in 1944 moved over to the Senate where he became a gay blade. He had been married in 1928 to a former Miss Seattle and was divorced in 1935; now he was on the town.

But none of his Senate colleagues held it against him. Once, when Georgia's venerable Senator Walter George chided him in the Senate lobby for missing a late-night vote, Maggie replied: "Senator, I knew you would take care of my interests and you didn't need my vote. To tell the truth, I had an engagement in the late afternoon with a very beautiful woman—a blonde, kindly girl. We had a cocktail, maybe two. Then we went to dinner at the Shoreham. It was a lovely dinner. The girl had a little wine, and she was really beautiful in the candlelight. Then—well, Senator, you wouldn't have wanted me to be rude and abandon her, would you now?" Said Walter George: "Warren, I just never would have forgiven myself—or you—if you had abandoned that young lady."

Today, at 56, Warren Magnuson has fewer candlelight dinners. But he holds to other informal interests. A sleepy-eyed, pot-raking poker player, he likes nothing better than to spend an evening with Cutty Sark and cards. When Harry Truman was in the White House, Maggie was a poker-playing friend.

Next year, Maggie comes up for re-election to a fourth Senate term, and at last week's \$100-a-plate testimonial dinner more than \$260,000 was collected for his campaign. But there has been no evidence so far that he will have serious opposition—and as things now stand, he will probably spend \$250 for his filing fee, may turn much of his war chest over to three of his state's colleges and universities for a "Warren G. Magnuson Merit Award."

SAC, NEW YORK

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Dear [REDACTED]

As terrible as it is to admit, just today have I come to for the first time, and read, your letter of October 17, concerning General Charles de Gaulle.

The comments in our "Scoreboard Issue for 1961" were written entirely by Dr. Revilo P. Oliver. And not until the September, 1961 issue of AMERICAN OPINION, of which a copy is enclosed herewith with my compliments, had I ever personally said a word derogatory about De Gaulle in the magazine -- despite being tempted to do so many times. But of course I approved in substance what Dr. Oliver had written, or we would not have published it as an unsigned article without some footnote or explanation.

I have read all that you have written in your letter about De Gaulle with much interest, and I certainly wish I could share your belief that this pretty well presents the whole story. But as you will see, from my own comments in the opening pages of the September AMERICAN OPINION, I cannot agree; and I can assure you there is a great deal more which could be adduced, in support of this doubt, in connection with many of the very things which De Gaulle is doing in France today. But since I simply cannot spare the time to go into details, especially when I would have to dig into so many piles to document them properly, I am going to take advantage of your kind offer and wait to talk about this whole matter to you in person, whenever there is any opportunity for us to have a visit together again.

In the meantime, with my many thanks once more for your calling your doubts and disagreement to our attention -- and I assure you that we very much welcome all such comments and criticism -- and with all good wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely,

Robert Welch

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*Executive Committee

†Deceased

[Redacted]
829 Park Avenue
New York 21, New York

Dear [Redacted]

This is a note of apology to express our sincere regrets for this very late acknowledgement of your letter of October 17. The volume of mail that comes into this office each day is almost unbelievable and although we try very hard to channel this so that no letter will be awaiting an answer for too long a time, sometimes we find ourselves sliding backward step by step rather than gaining on this correspondence.

Mr. Welch is presently out of the office on a speaking tour throughout the South, and I know that he will be very sorry to have missed the letter and you have our assurance that we will bring it to his personal attention just as soon as possible after his return. I know that he is most appreciative of all your help and will be glad to read your letter at this earliest possible moment after his return.

With his sincere thanks for all you are doing to help, we are also sending his best wishes and kindest regards.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]
Personal Assistant to [Redacted]

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October 17, 1961

Mr. Robert Welch, Editor
AMERICAN OPINION
395 Concord Avenue
Belmont 78, Massachusetts

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Dear Mr. Welch:

Upon my recent return from a lengthy stay abroad, I was much interested to find on my desk your annual "Scoreboard Issue for 1961," Volume IV, Number 7. As a publisher in these troubled times, I appreciate how difficult it is to form correct assessments of current political affairs, and of political figures. I try hard not to fall prey to worship of persons since we human beings all are so fallible.

However, I was much distressed to see AMERICAN OPINION's comments on General Charles de Gaulle, pages 14 and 15. I question your statement, "The essential fact, however, may be stated quite simply: General Charles de Gaulle, having betrayed the conservative patriots who made him President, proceeded to use the great personal powers, bestowed upon him by the new constitution, to destroy these patriots."

Permit me to draw your attention to the fact that in many of the most reliable conservative circles in Europe, De Gaulle is highly esteemed for his superior courage in having banned from radio and TV the "40 intellectuals" -- all radical leftists.

Permit me also to draw your attention to the De Gaulle Government's courage in fighting for an honest French currency and for many other conservative fiscal policies.

Also, in conservative circles abroad, much admiration is expressed for President de Gaulle's known aspiration toward a reform of constitutional government in the French Republic which would increase the legitimate executive powers of the president in a manner conforming to the Constitution of the United States.

Many conservatives in Europe believe that it is a grave mistake for republics to have a figurehead president. In Italy, France and West Germany, these conservatives would like to see the president of the republic assume the kind of power with checks and balances which is enjoyed under the American Constitution by the President of the United States.

Enclosed please find today's editorial from the NEW YORK DAILY NEWS and a copy of

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October 17, 1961
Mr. Robert Welch

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a newspaper column which I wrote recently in Rome.

At any time I would be most pleased to have the privilege of talking with you about this matter.

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Very sincerely yours,


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DATE 01-11-2008 BY 60324 UC BAW/RS/LSC

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-144597)

DATE: 27 DEC 1961

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
IS - MISCELLANEOUS

There are attached to the copy of this memorandum designated for NY 100-144597, autostats of three letters between [REDACTED] the Personal Assistant to Mr. WELCH, and Mr. WELCH. The letters are dated 10/17/61, 11/17/61 and 11/27/61.

The letter of 11/17/61, from the Personal Assistant to Mr. WELCH, uses language which could be construed to mean that [REDACTED] had been helpful to both the John Birch Society and ROBERT WELCH.

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[REDACTED] on 12/19/61, stated that she wanted to go on record as stating that she has no connection with the John Birch Society and that she has never been what could be termed helpful to either ROBERT WELCH or the John Birch Society.

[REDACTED] New York, is [REDACTED] She is well known to both the Bureau and the NYO.

For the information of the file.

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Walker Is Scornful Of State Dept.

By WILLIAM JOHNSTON,
United Press International.

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 13.—Edwin A. Walker, who gave up an Army general's stars and retirement pay to speak his mind, said last night our youth has been infiltrated by the enemy, our government follows one wrong decision with another, and news media mislead us.

In his first public address since he resigned as a major general in October, Mr. Walker attacked sections of the press, radio and television, the State Department, and Sen. William Fulbright (D., Ark.) for a memorandum on "right-wing radicalism" in the military.

Mr. Walker, 52, was relieved as commander of the 24th Division in Germany because of a political indoctrination he sponsored among his troops. He was reprimanded, and in October resigned after 30 years' service.

Mr. Walker, who already has disavowed any intention of becoming a "principal spokesman" for the John Birch Society or any other group, gave his audience no indication that he has political ambitions.

To Testify Soon.

He said he expected soon to state his views on censorship of the military before the Senate preparedness subcommittee headed by Sen. John Stennis (D., Miss.).

"A knowing public," Mr. Walker said, "having read Newsweek, Time, Life and

wing radicalism" in the military.

He said Presidents Truman, Eisenhower and Kennedy made a succession of decisions which "have cost us our sovereignty and our security." He said military officers swear an oath of allegiance to a sovereign United States, but find they must "abide by United Nations decisions."

'Youth Infiltrated.'

"You should recognize that the youth of this country is exposed and infiltrated . . . the same youth that enters

Drew Pearson, will see through their propaganda, and recognize their purpose. Our national security rests on your proper evaluation of the media."

He said the public should be "alert to identify un-Americanism and possible infiltration of the press and other media, such as radio and television."

He enumerated 15 post-war national policy decisions which he said have punctuated a "retreat from victory."

Would Bar Reds in U.N.

He said the Soviet Union should never have been admitted to the United Nations, we should not have accepted the division of Germany, that Gen. Douglas MacArthur's recall from Korea by President Truman was "a historic example of muzzling the military . . . a bitter defeat for America," and that President Eisenhower's attendance at the

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1955, "summit meeting" with Khrushchev was wrong because "coexistence is in effect collaboration with the enemy."

President Eisenhower should not have stopped nuclear testing and should not have sent federal troops into Little Rock during the 1957 school integration crisis, Mr. Walker said.

He called the Castro takeover in Cuba "the most unacceptable" cold war defeat.

"The Cuban invasion fiasco and my relief from command in Germany occurred the same day—April 17, 1961—a hard day for the Pentagon," Mr. Walker said. "The military in the Pentagon were not responsible for either event, but caught blame for both."

He said censorship of the military plays into the hands of the Communists who seek to "reduce our military strength and power, to limit our use of weapons and to undermine training."

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (157-514)

SUBJECT: NATIONALIST PARTY
RACIAL MATTERS
(OO: New York)

Enclosed herewith are eight copies of a
letterhead memorandum.

Information set forth in enclosed memorandum
attributed to [redacted] was furnished to SA [redacted]
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New York, New York
December 14, 1961

Re: Nationalist Party
Racial Matters

On December 14, 1961, [redacted]
Bureau of Special Services, New York City Police Department,
advised that [redacted] Nationalist
Party (NP), 507 Fifth Avenue, New York City, had furnished
the following information telephonically to the New York City
Police Department:

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On Friday evening, December 15, 1961, twenty members
of the NP will picket outside the Hotel Commodore, New York
City, in protest of a dinner scheduled to be held there on
that evening sponsored by the Emergency Civil Liberties
Committee (ECLC). [redacted] stated that the NP planned to picket
on December 15, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and again from
9:30 p.m. until the conclusion of the dinner.

A characterization of the ECLC is attached hereto.

On Saturday morning, December 16, 1961, between
5:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., approximately fifty members of the
NP will leave New York City via private automobile and
public bus for Washington, D.C. to picket the White House.
[redacted] stated that the NP will augment four bus loads of
Hungarians and four bus loads of members of the John Birch
Society who are scheduled to depart from New York City
sometime during the morning of Saturday, December 16, 1961,
for Washington, D.C., to picket the White House.

This document contains neither recommendations
nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the
property of the FBI and is loaned to your
agency; it and its contents are not to be
distributed outside your agency.

Nationalist Party

According to [redacted] NP members augmented by members of the John Birch Society will join in picketing the White House around twelve noon or 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 16, 1961. [redacted] stated that the demonstration at the White House will be under the actual sponsorship of the Federation of Former Hungarian Political Prisoners, an organization headed by [redacted] [redacted] further advised that the John Birch Society members from New York City are headed by [redacted] (ph) who is retired from the United State Navy and who can be contacted at telephone number [redacted]

On December 14, 1961, [redacted] further advised that he had been in telephonic contact with [redacted] mentioned above, who advised him that on Saturday, December 16, 1961, members of the American Hungarian Federation and the Federation of Former Hungarian Political Prisoners will demonstrate at the White House in Washington, D.C. According to [redacted] the purpose of the picketing is to "focus the attention of President Kennedy and members of Congress on the problems of free peoples behind the Iron Curtain."

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[redacted] stated that about 200 individuals will participate and that this number will include, in addition to those from the Hungarian organizations mentioned above, members of the NP and the John Birch Society.

[redacted] stated that on December 14, 1961, [redacted] National Economic Council, Incorporated, (NEC), telephone number YUkon 9-1670, advised him telephonically that on December 16, 1961, approximately ten members of Chapter Number 26 of the John Birch Society, which organization uses Room 1100, NEC, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City, for its meetings, will join with members of the NP to augment the picket line of the Federation of Former Hungarian Political Prisoners at the White House, Washington, D.C. [redacted]

[redacted] stated that he himself will not participate in the demonstration because of a prior commitment.

Nationalist Party

Concerning the number of demonstrators from the New York area who allegedly will participate in the demonstration at the White House, on December 16, 1961, [redacted] stated that he feels the number has been greatly exaggerated basing his conclusion on past demonstrations sponsored by the above mentioned organizations in the New York area.

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APPENDIX

Nationalist Party

EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee:

"Emergency Civil Liberties Committee

- "1. 'To defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the Communist Party itself. Among these organizations are the * * * Emergency Civil Liberties Committee. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these fronts offer a bulwark of protection.'
(Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)"

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-144597)

DATE: 1/31/62

FROM : ASAC DONALD E. RONEY, DIVISION IV

SUBJECT: ROBERT WELCH;
THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY;
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Inspector J. A. SIZOO telephoned from the Bureau this morning and referred to a recent speech by ROBERT WELCH, head of the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY, somewhere in Texas, at which time WELCH had made the statement that the U.S. Government was infiltrated with communists.

Mr. SIZOO said that Assistant Attorney General WALTER YEAGLEY had written a letter to WELCH pointing out that if WELCH had any such information as he inferred in this remark, that he, WELCH, was under obligation to report full and specific details to the Department of Justice or to the nearest office of the FBI. Mr. SIZOO said that a copy of AAG YEAGLEY'S letter to WELCH had been sent to the Director and that the Director had today noted thereon instructions that Boston and New York should be alerted to this matter and that in the event WELCH or any of his representatives should contact the FBI to furnish such information, we should politely accept any information, endeavor to obtain as much detail as possible but engage in no discussions with WELCH or his representatives, be cautious so as not to furnish WELCH any information, and to make no comment concerning the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY.

Mr. SIZOO also instructed that in the event WELCH or any of his representatives came to the NYO for this purpose, the Bureau should be immediately advised telephonically.

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Re 2/9

ALICE WIDENER
President

February 7, 1962

Mr. Robert Welch
The John Birch Society
Belmont 78, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Welch:

Long ore this I had intended to reply to your letter of November 27. Three occurances prevented my doing so -- my son's homecoming from basic training in the Army and his departure for service overseas in the Pacific, the rush of the holidays and my cuncurrent illness which resulted in my undergoing surgery from which I am now recovered.

What I wished to write earlier to you about is something which surprised me. On October 17, 1961, I addressed a letter to you as editor of American Opinion in which I expressed my distress over that magazine's comments on General Charles de Gaulle in the Scoreboard Issue for 1961, Volume IV, No. 7. I wrote this letter as one professional editor to another, and I expected to receive a reply from American Opinion. I was much surprised to receive a letter from your personal assistant, [redacted] written to me on the stationery of the John Birch Society. In [redacted] very courteous letter, she assured me in your behalf of ~~your~~ appreciation for "all your help" and also for "all you are doing to help."

As you know, I have not been and do not wish to be involved in any private or public dispute over the John Birch Society and over your role as its founder and head. At the same time however, the letter from [redacted] would make it appear to the unknowing that I have supported the John Birch Society by having rendered it help.

As you also know, I am not a member of the Society. In my own work I make a clear distinction between U.S.A. Magazine and U.S.A. Syndicate, which latter distributes my newspaper column, and my correspondence is carefully controlled so as not to confuse the two entities.

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Permit me to repeat that in writing as an editor to the editor of a magazine, namely,

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-144597)

DATE: 2/20/62

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
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Rememo of SA [REDACTED] 12/27/61.

There is attached to the copy of this memo designated for NY 100-144597, an autostat of a letter, dated 2/7/62, from [REDACTED] to ROBERT WELCH of the John Birch Society.

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The letter reiterates that [REDACTED] has no connection whatsoever with the John Birch Society.

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MEMO: SAC

Cleveland, Ohio

March 8, 1962

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

RE: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY

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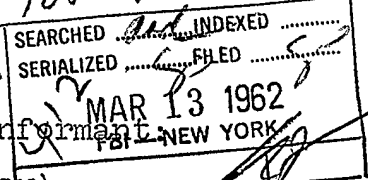
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Following is the verbatim report of informant [REDACTED]

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"February 20, 1962
Cleveland, Ohio

"Attended an executive committee meeting of the Cleveland, Ohio branch Socialist Workers Party, (S.W.P.) at their headquarters 5927 Euclid Ave. Room 23 Cleveland, Ohio. February 19, 1962, 8:30 P.M.

"Present at the meeting were the following members of the executive committee, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. The chairman for the meeting was [REDACTED] the branch Organizer. The minutes of the last business meeting were read by the branch recording secretary, [REDACTED]

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"The correspondence was read by [REDACTED]. A letter from the national headquarters to all branches informing them that a \$21,000. fund drive will begin March 1st, 1962 and last three months. The purpose of the fund drive will be to print an eight page Militant newspaper. The paper is now a four page weekly. The quota for Cleveland will be \$600.00. A letter from the national headquarters to all branches informing them of the national tour of [REDACTED] which will begin April 1st, 1962, [REDACTED] will be in Cleveland April 28, 29 and 30, 1962. The letter asked that all branches try to arrange as many public meetings as possible with other groups, colleges and labor organizations. In the discussion that followed, that [REDACTED] of Kent college would be contacted. Also Western Reserve, Oberlin, Baldwin Wallace, Antioch, and the Cleveland City Club Forum. The Cleveland branch will have a public meeting the night of April 28th or a reception for [REDACTED] and then the branch will hold an internal meeting with [REDACTED] the night of April 30. [REDACTED] will stay at one of the Cleveland Hotels and will have a press conference on the morning of April 28, 1962.

[redacted]

"Another letter was read by [redacted] that was written to her from a member of the Los Angeles branch named [redacted] who was [redacted]

was verbally attacked by the Birch Society for being a member of the S.W.P. and because of this was fired from his job. The letter to [redacted] asked that the Cleveland branch try to organize a defense committee in the Cleveland area to be called the same as the committee organized by [redacted] in California, The Academic Freedom Committee, A.F.C., to help raise funds for [redacted] defense. In the discussion that followed, it was decided that the Cleveland branch could not organize another committee but that [redacted] and [redacted] would contact some of the branch's friends and sympathizers and ask them for aid and to use their names as sponsors on the national committee. Some of the names were [redacted] [redacted] and [redacted] of Ohio State University. [redacted] also asked [redacted] to speak at the Socialist Club in Oberlin College, on this subject.

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[redacted] read a letter she received from The Taft-Hartly defense Committee, Ad Hoc of Cleveland. The letter asked the members of the Cleveland branch S.W.P. to write to President KENNEDY asking him for executive clemency for the six people in prison including [redacted] and for [redacted] who is shortly due to go to prison. The Committee voted to recommend that the members write the letter.

"There was a discussion at the meeting on fixing up the headquarters and changing the name on the door to read the Eugene V. Debs Hall.

[redacted] told [redacted] that she will have to cut her monthly pledge from \$15.00 to (10) ten dollars.

"There was a discussion at the meeting on the Cleveland Chapter of the Committee To Aid The Monroe Defendants, C. A. M. D. [redacted] reported that

[redacted]

"she had received a letter from [redacted] and that [redacted] told her that when [redacted] returned recently from Cuba and visiting [redacted] he said that [redacted] told him that the C.A.M.D. and the M.D.C. should merge.

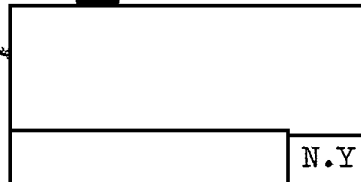
"The Militant forums to be held at the headquarters in the future are as follows. [redacted] will speak on the Birch Society and the Right Wing on March 17th, 1962. [redacted] of New York will speak at the Militant Forum April 1st, 1962.

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"The next branch meeting will be held at the headquarters February 22nd, 1962.

"The meeting ended at 10:20 P.M."

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April 13, 1962

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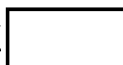


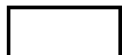
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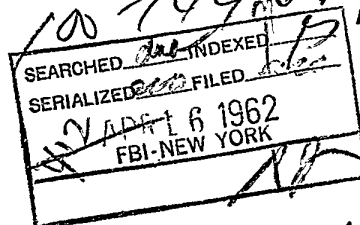
Dear Sir:

Recently (4 months ago) a pseudo anti-communist spoke at Notre Dame Church in New Hyde Park. Offhand, I cannot remember his name, but I am hoping you will find this out for me.

After listening to him and watching his movie, "Communism on the Map", we thought that he was an ardent anti-communist. However, after his lecture, he asked those who wanted more information to sign their names on a piece of blank paper which he himself provided.

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Six weeks later,  received a phone call from a member of the John Birch Society. The man on the phone asked  if he had signed his name to a piece of paper seeking more information about subversive activities. ( had signed his name at the Church lecture). Also, the man stated the date of the anti-communist lecture previously referred to, and he asked  if he was interested in joining the John Birch Society. He stated that if  joined the society, he would be accepted at Harvard, Yale, or any other college of his choice on a four year scholarship. There was only one condition:  would have to



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report to the soceity once a week telling them about any un-American activities on campus.

The reason I am writing is to find out more about the John Birch Socieity. Their offer of a scholarship to sounded underhanded because it gave me a hint that they too might be communistic.

I sincerely hope that you will answer my letter as soon as possible. I am undecided as to what to do, for if this man is a communist, he must be stopped from talking at any more churches.

Thank you for your time.

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Sincerely yours,



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201 East 69th Street
New York 21, New York

April 17, 1962

[REDACTED]
New Hyde Park
New York

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Dear [REDACTED]

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 13, 1962, in which you made certain inquiry.

While I would like to be of service, information in the Federal Bureau of Investigation files is confidential and available only for official use.

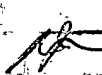
I know you will understand the necessity for our policy in this regard and will not infer either that we do, or that we do not, have the information you requested. However, you may want to contact the House Un-American Activities Committee in Washington, D.C., who may be in a position to assist you.

Very truly yours,



H. G. FOSTER
Special Agent in Charge

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On 5/6/62, between 8:00 p.m. and 10:15 p.m., a Crown Heights Forum was held at 1110 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Among the approximately 30 people in attendance were: "

Ben Davis

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] acted as chairman, and introduced Ben Davis as a victim of the Smith Act and National Secretary of the Communist Party.

Davis identified himself as National Secretary of the Communist Party and Gus Hall as General Secretary of the Communist Party. He said that he never makes this statement unless he is among friends, not necessarily Communists, but progressives and people who think along the same lines. He said that he never identifies himself as the National Secretary of the Communist Party or Gus Hall as the General Secretary of the Communist Party because the Government would think that he is waiving the Fifth Amendment, and then would not have to prove their case against them.

Davis spoke on the topic, "The Ultra-Right" and said that all of the ultra-right organizations in the United States are not fascist, except the John Birch Society and the Christian Anti-Communist Crusade, which are also anti-semitic. He said that President Kennedy and Governor Rockefeller have ultra-right forces growing up around them, but that President Kennedy is not ultra-right. He stated that most of the ultra-right organizations get their money from monopolists of which President Kennedy is one of the biggest. He mentioned that "Ford" is backing ultra-rightists and that he touched upon President Kennedy's role in the recent steel crisis. He stated that "we" can use all of the forces that "we" can use to win "our" struggle. Davis said that Senators Thurmond, Javits, and Eastland are all ultra-rightists, and that ultra-rightists are for all-out war.

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Davis said that in 1954, the Supreme Court handed down a decision concerning the desegregation of schools with all possible speed. He said that as of today, one-fifth of the schools in the South have been desegregated. He said that recently the Supreme Court ruled that General Motors had to relinquish their stock in the DuPont Corporation, but that Congress ruled that the stockholders had thirty years to divest themselves of their holdings. He said that in the forthcoming trial, if he is convicted he will get thirty years and the Communist Party will be outlawed. He said there is one law for the capitalists and one law for the working class.



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-23825)

FROM : SA [REDACTED] (422)

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN J. DAVIS JR.
ISA-1950
SM-C

Identity of Source [REDACTED]

Description of info Speech by BEN DAVIS at
Crown Heights Forum, 5/6/62.

Date Received 5/7/62

Original Located [REDACTED]

A copy of informant's report follows:

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- 1 - [REDACTED] (INV.) (422)
- 1 - 100-137765 (CROWN HEIGHTS FORUM) (422)
- 1 - 100-140936 [REDACTED] (422)
- 1 - 100-139584 [REDACTED] (422)
- 1 - 100-140034 [REDACTED] (421)
- 1 - 100-141221 [REDACTED] (422)
- 1 - 100-142060 [REDACTED] (422)
- 1 - 100-82430 [REDACTED] (422)
- 1 - 100-14096 [REDACTED] (422)
- 1 - 100-67348 [REDACTED] (422)
- 1 - 100-134372 [REDACTED] (422)
- 1 - 100-69039 [REDACTED] (422)
- 1 - 100-59993 [REDACTED] (422)
- 1 - 100-145872 (CP, USA, NYD-PUBLIC APPEARANCES OF PARTY LEADERS) (415)
- 1 - 100-84994 (GUS HALL) (415)
- 1 - 100-95583 (CP, USA-LINE) (415)
- ① - 100-144597 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY) (415)
- 1 - 100-148358 (CHRISTIAN ANTI-COMMUNIST CRUSADE)
- 1 - 100-23825 (415)
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KNOXVILLE 20, TENNESSEE

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9. May , 1962

F.B.I.
Washington D.C.

Gentlemen:

About a year ago the Birch Society was overtly very active here. Now they seem to have "front organizations" that they deny any connection with and then some other "Birchite" admits. So you do not know what to believe about them. As they support the communists in their stand about U.N. and are against civil rights, and like to sow dissension in a community, I cannot but suspect that they only pretend to be against communism to get supporters.

One of their acknowledged leaders here told me that the F.B.I. not only approved of the Birch Society but also employed Birch Society members. Because they had acknowledged that they used communistic methods, which of course includes lying, I did not believe his statement. *

What are the facts about Mr. Hoover, ^{and} the F.B.I. in regard to Birch Society and other facis^utic societies that believe in totalitarian methods and principles ?

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* The man said he knew personally a man who had been employed, notwithstanding he had disclosed that he was an active Birch Society member. by F.B.I.

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[REDACTED]
KNOXVILLE 20, TENNESSEE

9 May, 1962.

F.B.I.
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

Yesterday I received a letter from a [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

The letter was also signed (printed) by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

With the letter there was a "Draft Statement" not otherwise identified. It was a well drawn and carefully worded statement to encourage participation by the youth of our country in the "International Youth Festival" in Helsinki, Finland in ~~XXXXXX~~ July -Aug. of this year. There was also a ~~xxax~~ card, asking among other things whether the recipient approved of the draft statement.

I returned the card, checking the item approving the draft statement and then wrote some words, on the back, about my hope that the "festival" would not be communist dominated, but would permit a truly free exchange of ideas by the youth from different parts of the globe. I put my initials under my note but did not otherwise sign the card. I stamped my name and address on the card, though they evidently had my name and address before.

After I had ~~already~~ mailed the card I asked myself: "How come" that you sent back the card without knowing anything about those people? I usually do not answer or commit myself to people I do not know. And now I wonder if it was a clever trap?

I am enclosing a letter I am now sending to [REDACTED]

In the mean time I am wondering if you have information about the "United States Festival Committee", 460 Park Ave. South, Room 807, New York 16, and the

Comité Internationale Préparatoire, VIII e Festival Mondial de la Jeunesse et Etudiants pour la Paix et l'Amitié,

Lonnrotinkatu 17 B 1, Helsinki, Finland
and the four people signing the letter?

Could you inform me whether the four have a good record of their genuine interest in and activities for world peace or if they are ~~exp~~ or worse?

Yours [REDACTED]

(As I am writing to you I add a letter asking for information relative to the Birch Society.)

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[Redacted]
Bronx 64, N.Y.

Dear [Redacted]

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[Redacted]
Yesterday I returned the card you had sent me on which I had checked one item. It was the one saying that I approved of the wording of the draft statement you enclosed (which by the way, is undated and has no identification).

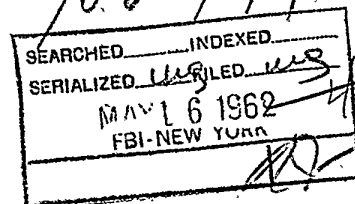
As I do not know you nor any of the other gentlemen who signed the letter, I would appreciate if you would tell me something about yourself, what ~~xxxxx~~ denomination and church you belong to and are in charge of and how long you have been interested in World Peace. What peace organizations have you been active in and how long. I would also want to know something about the other gentlemen signing the letter. What is your connection with the "United States Festival Committee", 460 Park Ave. New York 16, N.Y. ?

Where or from whom did you get my name and address?

Who sponsored the previous seven World Youth Festivals and what resolutions came out of them? My memory is a little uncertain about them.

If you do not want to give me such complete information as I request, I ask you to return the card to me.

Yours very truly



5-15-62

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To: SAC, Knoxville

From: Director, FBI

[REDACTED]
KNOXVILLE 20, TENNESSEE
BUDED 5-25-62

Enclosed are two copies of letters dated 5-9-62 received from captioned individual, as well as copies of [REDACTED] enclosure. These letters have not been answered.

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1 copy for W & F file
1 copy for [REDACTED]
A mature and experienced Agent of your office should contact [REDACTED] immediately, following review of your file 101-32, informing him of our inability to be of aid in connection with his inquiries. The confidential nature of our files should be outlined to him and the attached publications given him. Clearly point out that we are unable to comment relative to the two groups he mentions since the Bureau is strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government and does not make evaluations nor draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any group, publication or individual. For the above reasons we have made no statement relative to the John Birch Society (JBS), and the identity of the person who stated to correspondent that we had approved the JBS should be secured. In view of derogatory data concerning [REDACTED] appearing in Bufiles, be most circumspect in handling this interview.

For your own information, the Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary cited in the "Handbook for Americans," issued 12-21-55, the International Union of Students and the World Federation of Democratic Youth, sponsors of the International Youth Festival, as being communist front organizations. The State Department has prepared a statement available to the public setting forth the nature of the International Youth Festival, clearly indicating that they are communist sponsored and suggesting that United States citizens not have anything to do with them. In connection with the statement with [REDACTED] the

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interviewing Agent can suggest that he may wish to make inquiry of the State Department for what information it can furnish him re the Festival in question.

Forward the results of your contact under same caption, including the name of the person who made the alleged statements to [] so that evaluation can be made as to whether contacting this person is advisable at this time. Forward reply under same caption no later than 5-25-62.

For the information of the New York Office, a list of names of alleged members of the Communist Party employed by the Tennessee Valley Authority, which list was reported to have been compiled by a Congressional Committee, was known to the Bureau in November of 1940; however, the Congressional Committee was not identified. This list contained the name of correspondent, but investigation at that time was not conducted since he was employed by another governmental agency. The New Orleans Office advised on 12-11-49 that one [] was a sponsor on a declaration adopted by the Southern Conference for Human Welfare and Southern Conference Educational Fund during a conference on civil rights on 11-20-48. The Southern Conference for Human Welfare has been cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities as a communist front organization, and its successor organization, the Southern Conference Educational Fund, is subject of current Bureau security investigation. Correspondent was President of the United World Federalists of Tennessee, Inc., as of February, 1950.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C1214-Sub G) DATE: 6/19/62

FROM : SA [REDACTED] (41)

SUBJECT: CPNYD - HARLEM CP -
11th A.D. CP CLUB
IS - C

Identity of Source: [REDACTED] who has furnished
reliable info in past (conceal)

Description of Info: 11th A.D. CP Club meeting,
141 W. 111 St., NYC, 6/1/62

Date received: 6/11/62

Received by: SA [REDACTED] (written)

Original location: NY [REDACTED]

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1 - NY 100-73325 [REDACTED] (421)
1 - NY 100-129629 [REDACTED] (414)
1 - NY 100-128314-A (HARLEM FUNDS) (421)
1 - NY 100-128314 (CPNYD - FUNDS) (414)
1 - NY 100-26603-C1214-Sub (13th AD CLUB, HARLEM) (421)
1 - NY 100-144597 (JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY) (412)
1 - NY 100-79717 (CPUSA - POLITICAL ACTIVITIES) (415)
1 - NY 100-128812 (CPNYD - POLITICAL ACTIVITIES) (414)
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New York City
June 4, 1962

11th A.D. Club, Harlem Region, C.P.

The 11th A.D. Club, of the Harlem Region of the Communist Party, held a meeting on Friday evening, June 1, 1962 at the residence of [redacted] at 9:00 p.m.

Among those present were the following members. [redacted] chairman, [redacted] and [redacted] as guest from State Board of New York of the Communist Party.

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Points on the agenda were as follows

(1) Fund Drive money. [redacted] contributed \$5.00 to the Fund Drive. [redacted] chairman, stated that the Harlem section of the Communist Party which consist of 3 clubs, 13th A.D. Upper, 13th A.D. Lower, and 11th A.D. Club, did not reach its goal in the Fund Drives.

In the sustaining Fund Drive of \$1,000 less than 50% has been paid in, and in the Press Fund Drive, the same situation exist, less than 50% of the pledged money has been received, thus creating a dangerous situation in both Fund Drives. [redacted] urged that a special effort must be made by the 11th A.D. Club to reach its goals in the Fund Drives.

[redacted] announced that the Upper 13th A.D. is planning a Theatre party on Wednesday, June 20, 1962 at the Martinique Hotel Theatre, 32nd Street & B'way, and tickets are \$5.00 a piece. The proceeds from this affair shall go toward the pledged Fund Drive of the 13th A.D. Club. [redacted] stated that he has reserved 10 tickets for the members of the 11th A.D. Club.

[redacted] then introduced [redacted] and stated he

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shall speak on the upcoming 1962 Governor's race in New York.

[] stated that 1962 Governor's race in New York & California is very important, because ROCKFELLER & NIXON shall be running in their respective States, and their showing might well be an indication of who shall receive the Republican nomination in 1964 to run for the presidency of the United States. Perhaps the fight for the presidency nomination in the republican Party shall feature, ROCKFELLER, NIXON & GOLDWATER. The republican candidates must be defeated, especially in the 1962 State races. [] stated that the American Fascist movements, such as the John Birch Society has decided to use the Republican Party as their vehicle to power, and this must be defeated at all cost. In New York State the 1962 governor race perhaps shall shape up with ROCKFELLER for governor, and JACOB JAVIT, as Senator. This combination, would be hard for the Democrats to defeat, due to JAVIT's liberalism, and ROCKFELLER appeal in up State. The Democrats, have not a formible candidate as present to defeat this ticket. There is a possibility that NYC Council Pres. [] would run for governor, with a Negro candidate to run for the Senate or Attorney General office. Thus the C.P. shall work within the ranks of the Democratic party for a winning ticket, which would include a coalition between, Negroes, Puerto Ricans, and the Democratic Party.

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[] suggested that the C.P. Clubs in Harlem must start to work now for the 1962 governor race. It appears that Harlem shall be a concentration by both Democrats & Republican parties to get out the votes. Thus members in the 3 Harlem C.P. Clubs should start to affiliate with the Democrats on the Reformed movement Harlem, in order to secure a voice in these clubs in their future planning.

The time being 11:05 PM, meeting was adjourned.

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DATE 01-11-2008 BY 60324 UC BAW/RS/LSO

ALWAYS BUY YOUR

COMMUNIST PRODUCTS

HERE AT WOOLWORTH'S

BACK OF 183

Ask the manager
to show you
OUR COMMUNIST Imports

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Subject's name and aliases Unsub, Stickers Re Communist Products, Woolworth's Store, Hempstead, LI		Address of subject		Character of case SM-C; Info Concerning	
Complainant [Redacted]		Complainant's address and [Redacted] NY		Complaint received <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Personal <input type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date 11/5/62 Time 8:30A	
Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Birth date and Birthplace
	Age		Weight	Eyes	
	Complexion				
Scars, marks or other data					

Facts of complaint

[Redacted] made available the attached sticker which he found in a tool box which he purchased in Woolworth's Hempstead, LI. [Redacted] said that he purchased the tool box and opened it when he arrived home and then found the attached label in the box.

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Employee

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Memorandum

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DATE 01-11-2008 BY 60324 UC BAW/RS/LSC

TO : SAC, NY

DATE: 12/6/62

FROM : IC [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO WARN OF THE ARRIVAL OF COMMUNIST
PRODUCTS ON THE AMERICAN BUSINESS SCENE -
JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

On instant date, the writer heard a radio program on WCBS at about 1:15PM. The announcer, whose name I didn't get, introduced a [REDACTED] or Levittown, Long Island, who identified herself as a representative of captioned organization, and a member of the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY.

A discussion followed in the form of a telephonic interview of [REDACTED] by aforementioned announcer. [REDACTED] indicated that it had come to the attention of various members of the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY in the vicinity of Levittown, that certain business establishments in the area had recently begun to handle material produced in various "iron curtain" countries, ie, Poland, Yugoslavia, Hungary and Czechoslovakia. A number of members of the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY, originated, in Miami, Florida, an organization to combat this practice, which they believe, acts in subversion of the U.S.

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On the local level, [REDACTED] indicated that her committee has contacted, by letter, about 50 stores, setting forth the fact that they are handling products produced in countries that are our enemies in the "cold war". A number of the stores have replied that they are considering a change in policy in this respect, but those that have indicated no apparent willingness to dispense with these materials, have been treated to what was termed "card parties" by [REDACTED]. This practice involves the placing of small cards in various places in the stores handling the previously described merchandise, (ie, pockets of jackets, coats and trousers, or foreign produced clothing; and/or any convenient niche to be found in glassware, wood products and material as widely diverse as Christmas Cards produces in Czechoslovakia), These cards read something to the effect; "Help pay for Communist missiles and bombers," "Buy your Communist products at ----- (name of store).

The foregoing is set forth, as it appears that it might be of interest to the Bureau at some future time.

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Subject's name and aliases JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY		Address of subject		Character of case INFORMATION CONCERNING	
Complainant [REDACTED]		Complainant's address and telephone number [REDACTED]		Complaint received <input type="checkbox"/> Personal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telephonic Date 11/30/62 Time 8PM	
Subject's Description	Race	Sex <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Height	Hair	Build
	Age		Weight	Eyes	Complexion
	Scars, marks or other data				
Facts of complaint					
<p>[REDACTED] indicated he is [REDACTED] for afore-mentioned store. On instant date, some of the employees of the store noticed a white male individual, described as 5'11", 150-55 lbs., deep set eyes, dark hair, dark complexion, tampering with some of the clothing in the store. Upon examining one coat that this individual had tampered with, [REDACTED] discovered a small card, bearing the legend "Buy your communist products at Blakes".</p> <p>[REDACTED] stated further that Blakes has had a number of contacts from an office of the John Birch Society, who are annoyed because the store handles some material brought in from Poland.</p> <p>[REDACTED] had some of Blakes employees check this individuals license plates, and those of a car driven by three women, who appeared to be waiting for this individual. The car driven by the women was registered to one [REDACTED] New York [REDACTED] who is identified as a patrolman of the New York City Police Department. The car driven by the male individual is a 60 or 61 Plymouth 4 door station wagon, license [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] could not determine ownership, as this auto is believed registered in Nassau county, where he has no contact for obtaining info. of that nature.</p> <p>[REDACTED] stated that he approached the individual described above, and inquired if he had placed the card in the coat. The individual denied any knowledge of the card, and since he refused to give his name, and became quite indignant, [REDACTED] allowed him to leave. [REDACTED] stated he would furnish the NYO with any additional info. that comes into his possession.</p>					
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IC [REDACTED] (signature)					

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[Redacted]

New York 53, N.Y.
January 18, 1963

Gentlemen,

I received this card through
the mail and it's been
bothering me. It sounds
subversive to me. Is there
anything in it? If it is,
I thought you ought to
investigate.

Truly yours,

*See on
back of
envelope*

[Redacted]

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TO: CHIEF CLERK

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Subject

Aliases

Address

Birth Date

Birthplace

Race

Sex

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☐ Female

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Exact Spelling

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Dear

2/1/24

Very truly yours,

1 - New York (4/12)

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Stamp: [Illegible text]

Signature: [Illegible]

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-144597)

JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

Attached hereto for the information of Boston
is a postcard addressed to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] NY, postmarked 1/9/63 at NY, NY, which
contains an item of American Opinion. It is noted that
[REDACTED] is Editor of American Opinion which our files
reflect is located at 395 Concord Ave., Belmont 78, Mass.

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2 - Boston (Encl. 1) (RM)
1 - NY (100-144597)
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New York, New York
October 28, 1953

Re: Chief Justice Earl Warren,
United States Supreme Court

On October 25, 1953, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he had learned from a source whom he considers to be reliable, but whom he declined to identify, that a call had gone out to members of the John Birch Society to picket at the New York Bar Association Building, 42 West 44th Street, New York City, at 5:00 p.m., on October 29, 1953, at which time the New York Bar Association will present an award to Chief Justice Earl Warren of the United States Supreme Court. These pickets will carry placards reading "Impeach Earl Warren," and "Restore the Constitution and Restore Prayer".

The source was unable to furnish any additional information concerning this matter.

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PLAIN TEXT

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REGISTERED MAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-144597) (P)

SUBJECT: INFORMATION CONCERNING THE
JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
INTERNAL SECURITY

Re NY teletype, dated 10/25/63, captioned "Chief Justice EARL WARREN, United States Supreme Court".

There are enclosed for the Bureau five copies of a LHM dated 10/28/63, captioned "Chief Justice EARL WARREN, United States Supreme Court".

The source referred to in the LHM is

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Birchers' Welch Is Offering Tricky Halloween Treats

All sorts of goodies are in store for unwary kids who stumble into a Birchite household this Halloween.

Robert Welch, leader of the

fanatic anti-Communist John Birch Society, has asked his followers to give UNICEF trick-or-treaters a piece of candy and an anti-UN document reprinted from the Congressional Record.

"And ask each youngster to take this material home to his or her own parents," says Welch in the October issue of the Birch bulletin.

That's a treat for the kids and a trick for the parents. The document Welch suggests is a blast at the UN inserted in the Record by Birchite Rep. James B. Utt (R-Calif.).

Another gimmick on the market for discouraging Children's Fund trick-or-treat is a yellow tag with a hole punched in it.

The hole is for the treat—a lollipop. The tag is for the trick—it suggests that children might find something better to do than collect money for what rightist Lawrence Timber—originator in 1959 of the anti-UNICEF campaign—considers a highly suspect endeavor.

Concerned with the possible reaction on children of the Birchite campaign, C. Lloyd Bailey, executive director of the U.S. Committee for UNICEF, has criticized the plan as indicative of the caliber of the people involved.

"These kids," Bailey said, "are collecting money to help hungry and sick children throughout the world."

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CHIEF JUSTICE EARL WARREN

US SUPREME COURT

[REDACTED] ADVISED ON OCT. TWENTYFIVE, SIXTYTHREE,
THAT HE HAD LEARNED THAT CALLS HAD GONE TO MEMBERS OF THE BIRCH SOCIETY
/JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY/ TO PICKET THE NEW YORK BAR ASSOCIATION BUILDING,
FOUR TWO WEST FORTY FOURTH STREET, NYC, ON OCT. TWENTYNINE, SIXTYTHREE,
AT FIVE PM, DURING PRESENTATION OF BAR ASSOCIATION AWARD TO CHIEF JUSTICE
EARL WARREN. SIGNS ARE TO BE DISPLAYED BY PICKETS TO READ "IMPEACH
EARL WARREN" AND "RESTORE THE CONSTITUTION AND RESTORE PRAYER."

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Birch Petitioners At Church Doors

Special to the Herald Tribune

BRIDGEPORT, Conn.

The John Birch Society carried its "impeach Warren" petition-signing campaign to the front steps of four Protestant churches here over the weekend.

The Birchers solicited signatures outside two Congregational Christian churches, the Calvary Evangelical Free Church and St. George's Episcopal Church.

Thomas J. Davis, a Stamford real estate man who is co-ordinator for the Birch Society's New England region, said 1,000 signatures were obtained outside the churches Sunday. The petitions call for the impeachment of Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl Warren.

In none of the churches were the petitions discussed or approved by the pastors. "I do not believe that the house of God is the place for this kind of work," the Rev. Delmar S. Markle, rector of St. George's, said yesterday. "These people should conduct their business in a public auditorium."

Mr. Davis said churches were the "logical place" to solicit anti-Warren signatures "because of the Supreme Court's rulings on prayer in the schools."

A week ago Sunday, Birchers got 673 signatures on petitions circulated outside the Roman Catholic Blessed Sacrament Church. The pastor of the church, the Rev. Frances E. Fenton, approved the solicitation and urged his parishioners to sign the petitions.

Father Fenton, who acknowledged membership in the John Birch Society, was officially reprimanded by diocesan officials for his involvement in the solicitation.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
201 East 69th Street
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

This "paid advertisement" in the weekly local Penny Saver shocked and frightened me with its sinister information that the hate group is so near.

You probably know of this scheduled meeting already but I felt impelled to send you this usually bland little family information exchange.

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All of us were relieved to learn that President Johnson had asked the FBI to make a full investigation of last week's outrage in Texas. His promise to place all your findings before the American people was likewise comforting.

Yours truly, [redacted]

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201 East 69th Street
New York 21, New York
December 4, 1963

[redacted]
[redacted] New York

Dear [redacted]


Thank you for your letter of November
28, 1963, and enclosure.

Your interest in furnishing this
information to us is indeed appreciated.

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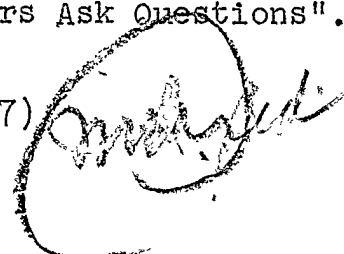
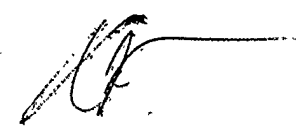
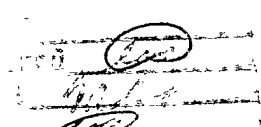
Very truly yours,


JOHN F. MALONE
Assistant Director in Charge


[redacted] enclosed a copy of a periodical Pennysaver
of 11/27/63, which is an advertising periodical
primarily for the Westchester County vicinity. One of the
page advertisements therein was the following "JOHN BIRCH
SOCIETY, Thinking Americans Are Cordially Invited, Free
Presentation of the Objectives of the John Birch Society
Masonic Hall Brook Street Croton on Hudson, December 4th
8:30 P.M. Movies Speakers Ask Questions".

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JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
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On 12/2/63, [redacted]

[redacted] telephone [redacted] telephonically contacted the NYO and advised SA [redacted] that he has been offered membership in the John Birch Society, but does not want to accept membership as he is a conservative Republican. However, a friend whom he does not disclose has been persuading him to join this society in the Roselle area. He stated he had been attending some meetings in Roselle because of the request of his alleged friend. He stated if the FBI would desire him to attend these meetings for any information that he may be able to obtain on what transpires at them he would be willing to do so. He was advised that his offer was appreciated and that in the event at a future date his services could be utilized that he would be contacted. He said that he was employed by Merck and Company, [redacted] at 100 Church Street, New York, New York, telephone GO 7-7700 [redacted]

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This information is being transmitted to the Newark Office as they may desire to utilize [redacted] at a later date in the event investigation of the John Birch Society is undertaken.

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THE TIME HAS COME

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NEW YORK TIMES

Section 4, page E5

New York, New York

Date: 12/15/63

Edition: Sunday

Author:

Editor:

Title: "THE TIME HAS
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AD OF JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

Character: Internal Sec.
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We believe that the president of the United States has been murdered by a Communist within the United States.

It has been pointed out by the Hon. Martin Dies, since the assassination, that "Lee Harvey Oswald was a Communist," and that when a Communist commits murder he is acting under orders. The former Congressman, head of the original Dies Committee, is probably second only to J. Edgar Hoover in first-hand knowledge acquired from early and long experience in investigating Communist activities.

The Hon. J. Edgar Hoover said in a speech on October 18, 1960: "We are at war with the Communists, and the sooner each red-blooded American realizes that the better and safer we will be." He emphatically repeated this statement on December 3, 1963 - - ten days after the assassination. And this is none the less war because the Communists conduct it according to their usual methods, without regard to civilized rules or human decency.

— Nor is it in character for the Communists to rest on this success. Instead, we can expect them to use the shock, grief, and confusion of the American people, resulting from the assassination of our President, as an opportunity for pushing their own plans faster. Also, we shall be subjected to an ever greater barrage of distortions and falsehoods, aimed at imposing on the nation a completely false picture of the situation and of the forces at work. They have to subvert our minds as well as our institutions.

For five years The John Birch Society has said that, regardless of the external threat, Communism was a serious internal menace in the United States. And we were right. We believe that this has now been proved, tragically but conclusively, to the deep sorrow, but also to the profound alarm, of all good Americans. The time has come for those good Americans to join us in this fight against the powerfully organized "masters of deceit." For, as Edmund Burke once wrote: "When bad men combine, the good must associate; else they will fall one by one, an unpitied sacrifice in a contemptible struggle."

The John Birch Society is an *educational* army, and our only weapon is the truth. But George Washington stated our problem well: "Truth will ultimately prevail where there is pains taken to bring it to light." We take tremendous pains in proportion to our numbers and our strength, and all we need to win is that enough other patriots join us in our determination and our labors. For there is nothing the Communists fear so much in the whole world today as having the American people learn, too soon, the truth about their purposes, their methods, and their progress.

If you oppose the Communist conspiracy by learning and spreading the truth, you may expect to be smeared as viciously as we have been for five years. But you will be helping to save your family and your country from the same cruel tyranny that has already been imposed on a billion human beings.

The time has come for every red-blooded American to react as such. If you have the willingness to learn and the courage to support the disturbing truth, use the coupon below. It will be without any obligation on your part, and we shall not contact you further unless or until you request us to do so.

THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

Belmont, Massachusetts 02178

Exec. Comm.: Wm. J. Grede, A. G. Heinsohn, Jr., Fred C. Koch, Clarence E. Manion, R. W. Stoddard

Please Note

If you agree with this statement, and are willing to help us put this message in as many newspapers as possible across our country, send us your contribution *now*. Make your check out to *Special Advertising Fund*, and mail it directly to:

THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY,
Belmont, Massachusetts 02178

(Check the box that applies.)

The John Birch Society
Belmont, Massachusetts 02178
Gentlemen:

☐ Please send me, without cost or obligation on my part, a sheet of preliminary information about the Society.

☐ For the enclosed one dollar, please send me your *Introductory Packet* of THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY.

☐ For the enclosed five dollars please send me your *Special Packet*, containing the basic materials from which I can obtain a thorough understanding of what The John Birch Society is, how it works, and what it hopes to do.

Sincerely,

(Name) _____

(Address) _____

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Birchite Venom

A Birch Society advertisement in a New York paper seeks to cash in on the assassination of President Kennedy.

Without waiting for the results of the FBI investigation or the Warren commission findings, the Birch Society, in a bid for contributions and members, publishes its own lurid analysis of what happened.

Lee Oswald was a Communist who committed the murder "acting under orders" of the Communists, the Birchers proclaim. Warning that the Communists will not "rest on this success" but will use the nation's disarray "for pushing their own plans faster" the advertisement calls upon "every red-blooded American" to join the Birch Society, which, incidentally, is described as "an educational agency" whose "only weapon is the truth."

This right-wing fanaticism finds its mirror image on the far left, except that there Oswald is pictured as the agent of a rightist conspiracy.

In the face of these completing fantasies parading as fact, it is essential that the Warren commission issue its findings with all the speed that is compatible with an unprejudiced and searching inquiry. It perhaps should start with the prompt release of the results of the FBI inquiry.

On Thanksgiving Day President Johnson appealed to the American people to "turn away from the fanatics, from the far left and the far right . . . who pour venom into our nation's bloodstream."

The public, unlike the Birch Society leaders, has said "Yes" to this plea.

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BIRCH GROUP CENSORS SELF

The December issue of "American Opinion," publication of the conservative John Birch Society, was withheld from distribution, the Society said yesterday, because "there were two articles which were critical of the former President's policies."

The magazine was to have been circulated from the society's Belmont, Mass., headquarters on Nov. 22, the day President Kennedy was assassinated.

Helen Lovett, secretary to the society's president, Robert Welch, said all subscribers were sent identical form letters advising them:

"There was nothing in the December number either erroneous or unfair concerning the activities of the administration, but there were two articles which were critical of the former President's policies, and simply as a matter of good taste it has seemed better under present circumstances to withhold the mag-

azine even at the cost of the inconvenience to our subscribers and the expense to ourselves."

Miss Lovett said the decision to withhold distribution "was Mr. Welch's." He was unavailable for comment, she said.

Miss Lovett said she "could not comment" on the two articles. She said "American Opinion" usually is mailed between the 15th and the 20th of the month. "The December issue was late though, and it was to have gone out on Nov. 22."

Miss Lovett said she did not know the circulation of "American Opinion." Subscribers pay \$10 a year for 12 issues, she said.

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A Birch Society speaker was to appear at
Queens College on 12/4/63, with College approval,
however, CS heard that all Birch speeches were
called off for 30 days in deference to public opinion.
CS does not know when a Birch speaker will
appear at Queens College. This info was furnished on 12/2/63.
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Birch Society Spent \$35,000 on Ads Asking Funds

By JOHN H. FENTON

Special to The New York Times

BOSTON, Dec. 17—The John Birch Society spent nearly \$35,000 in newspapers this week to promote its contention that President Kennedy was assassinated by a Communist "acting under orders."

The full-page advertisement, appearing first in Sunday editions of The New York Times, was repeated in other newspapers across the nation yesterday and today.

The society invited contributions to a special advertising fund and offered free and paid literature concerning its aims. The right-wing organization emphasizes its dedication to combating Communism.

The ad led to interpretations here that the society was recruiting new members to replace losses since the assassination and to divert attacks on the society as an extremist organization. This was disputed by Col. Laurence E. Bunker of Wellesley, Mass., a member of the policy-making council of the society.

Colonel Bunker said today he was unable to estimate the cost of the advertising program. But he said it would be con-

tinued elsewhere after the first of the year, depending on the response to contributions. The estimate of nearly \$35,000 came from advertising sources familiar with rates for full pages in newspapers.

The appearance of the ad also touched off comment that it was hypocritical in view of a pattern of criticism of the Kennedy Administration in the last several weeks.

The comment was made by Gordon Hall, a Boston lecturer on extremist groups of both right and left.

The criticisms cited by Mr. Hall appeared in articles in American Opinion, a monthly magazine published by the society. The December issue, about to be mailed to subscribers on Nov. 22, was withheld when news was received of the Kennedy assassination that day.

Copies of the November issue

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were quickly sold out on Boston newsstands today. In it was an article asserting that President Kennedy should have been impeached for proposing a disarmament program to the United Nations.

The article was written by Charles Callan Tansil, a Washington historian. He attributed the idea of the plan to Paul H. Nitze, then a State Department aide, in a seminar paper.

Mr. Tansil wrote:

"It is obvious that President Kennedy, as the Commander in Chief of the armed forces of the United States, should have been impeached at once when he sponsored a plan to disarm the United States and place this country under the control of the Soviet-controlled United Nations.

"It is amazing that resolutions of impeachment were not introduced at once in the House

of Representatives, and it is a clear indication of how far the last three Administrations have gone toward the destruction of American patriotism and devotion to our flag and our country.

"It is high time that the American public read between the lines of the test ban treaty that has just been approved by the Senate. And, sad to record, only 19 Senators resisted Presidential pressure for this shameful sellout."

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The Birch Advertisement

In The Times of last Sunday, Dec. 15, there appeared a full-page advertisement of the John Birch Society, entitled "The Time Has Come." The publication of this advertisement has evoked from our readers a large number of protests, some of which we publish in our Letters to the Editor column today.

Many of the communications take strong exception to the actual content of the advertisement. So does The Times, and we said so in an editorial earlier this week. But many other letter writers aim their fire not so much at the Birch Society as at The Times itself for having permitted the Society to present its message to the public through paid advertising space in this newspaper. The issue thus raised involves, in our view, the responsibility that a free press owes to its readers and to the public at large.

Just two years ago, a similar question arose in connection with our publishing the advertisement of a book that strongly criticized the policy of the United States in the Caribbean. At that time (Dec. 28, 1961) we stated on this page some principles that we think are highly relevant to our acceptance for publication of the Birch advertising. We said then, and repeat today:

The Times believes that, in furtherance of the objectives of the First Amendment of the Constitution, it should keep its advertising columns open to all points of view, no matter how strongly it disapproves of them.

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Editor:
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Subject of course to the laws of libel and the bounds of decency and good taste and the requirements of factual accuracy, we think the principle of freedom of the press not only requires us to report events and occurrences of which we disapprove ... but also imposes on us the obligation to accept advertising of books whose contents we reject and of political parties and movements whose goals we despise.

The guarantees of the First Amendment are not mere guarantees of the publishers' right to publish. They are, more importantly, guarantees of the public's right to know. We consider that that is what a free press truly means: the maintenance of open communication in the realm of ideas.

The political and other opinions of The New York Times—that is, our editorial policies—are expressed daily and exclusively in the editorial columns of this page. Our policy on "Letters to the Editor" is to print communications from our readers of general interest and of all shades of opinion. Our news policy is "to give the news impartially, without fear or favor, regardless of any party, sect or interest involved." . . . Our policy with respect to political advertising is to keep our columns open to those who wish to express a particular point of view, no matter how widely divergent it may be from our own.

These policies, as we see them, comprise the essence of the freedom and the responsibility of the press.

We think that statement is appropriate to the issue raised by the Birch advertisement, and we reaffirm it today.

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BIRCHERS FEARED—

Brooklyn: The John Birch Society ran a full-page advertisement in your paper and others, announcing that Lee Oswald was a Communist and was acting under orders to assassinate the President. This despite the fact that the FBI categorically stated that Oswald acted alone. It is evident that the John Birchers are fearful of losing some of their adherents in view of the turn of events. It is attempting to emulate the McCarthy era. I would not be surprised to see it initiate a witchhunt a la Salem, Mass. I am unalterably opposed to Communists, but let us be on guard as far as the John Birchers are concerned.

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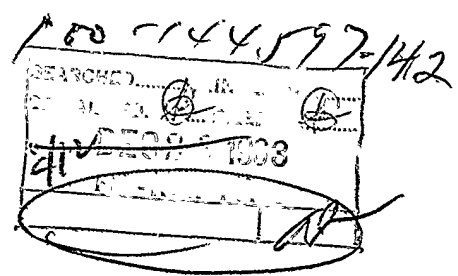
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JOHN BIRCH RECRUITING PRESSES ON

Special to the Herald Tribune
BELMONT, Mass.

They were having refreshments at their annual office Christmas party in that undistinguished brick building on Concord Ave. and needless to say, they were serving from the right.

For the two-story structure in this Boston suburb is the national headquarters of the John Birch Society.

At last week's party, they were looking back on a fading 1963, looking forward to 1964.

Part of that glimpse at the new year certainly took in the Society's membership, a rank and file the Birchers want to build. And so for the first time since it was organized in 1958, the JBS has taken out paid advertisements actively recruiting members.

After President Kennedy's assassination, extremist groups of both the Right and the Left were accused of creating an atmosphere of intolerance, hatred and possible violence.

The leadership of the Right-wing Birch society, which had long been critical of policies under Mr. Kennedy, and his predecessor, President Eisenhower, expressed shock at the assassination and sent a wire to convey "our sincere and heart-felt sympathy" to the late President's widow.

In the interests of "good taste," the society pulled back from the mails copies of its magazine, American Opinion, because it contained two articles critical of the Kennedy Administration.

Then, starting last Sunday,

advertisements began appearing in several newspapers across the country, including two in New York, declaring the Birch society's belief that President Kennedy was "murdered by a Communist within the United States" who had been "acting under orders."

"The time has come," the ad said, "for those good Americans to join us in this fight against the powerfully organized 'masters of deceit.'"

The ad, complete with the Birch's Society's Belmont headquarter's zip code (02178), offered literature about the society, ranging from a free sheet of preliminary information to a \$5 "special packet" for those who wish "a thorough understanding of what the John Birch Society is, how it works, and what it hopes to do."

THE RESPONSE

Retired Army Col. Laurence E. Bunker, of Wellesley, Mass., a former personal aide to General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, and a member of the policy-making council of the John Birch Society, says the response to the ads have been "generally very favorable."

There has been "a certain number of scurrilous letters," Col. Bunker says, but also "several hundred letters a day" from persons seeking more information about the society, which up to now has been regarded as something of a semi-secret organization.

Does the advertising campaign indicate a change in

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the Birch Society's recruitment program?

Col. Bunker says it doesn't. "Our recruiting still goes on, mainly on a person-to-person basis. But we want people to know all about the society before they join."

He does concede that this is the first time the society as such has had an advertising campaign, although back in 1959 a group which included several members of the Birch leadership, such as its founder, Robert H. W. Welch jr., and Col. Bunker, bought some newspaper space in the name of the "Committee Against Summit Entanglements." The ads urged then President Eisenhower not to meet with Soviet Premier Khrushchev in "any summit conference, anywhere."

Society officials decline to say how many members the society has. Recent estimates have been about 60,000. "We don't give out information as to numbers, nor do we say who members are," says Mr. Hill. But it is all right, he adds, if members wish to identify themselves.

"We've been increasing members," adds Col. Bunker. And this increase, he says, has continued since the assassination.

The origin of the John Birch Society goes back to a December, 1958, meeting in Indianapolis, presided over by Mr. Welch, a retired candy manufacturer.

The society's name comes from John Birch, a Baptist missionary in China before World War II. When war came, he was commissioned

by the Army and assigned to behind-the-lines intelligence work in China during the war years with the Japanese. He was killed in China on Aug. 25, 1945—ten days after the war had ended. He was 27 years old.

John Birch, by all accounts, was shot by a Red Chinese officer leading a patrol. It is not clear exactly when Mr. Welch first heard of young Birch, but he has described the missionary-Army officer as the first American "martyr" in the cold war and the society was named for him.

The society describes itself as "an educational army" with truth its only weapon, dedicated to opposing "the Communist conspiracy."

Col. Bunker and other Birchites disagree with those who classify the society as an "extremist" group. As Col. Bunker sees it, the "extremists" are the American Nazi party on one pole and the Communist party on the other. The Birch Society, he says, is "thoroughly behind constitutional government, and, therefore, 'we're near the middle of the road.'"

THE REPORT

As a non-profit organization, the society filed a required annual report last July with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The statement listed total income of \$737,716 for 1962, compared with \$534,241 for 1961. Disbursements for 1962 totaled \$694,615, mainly for salaries and traveling expenses of society co-ordinators. According to the report, contributions for

1962 amounted to \$306,526 and dues (\$24 a year for men and \$12 for women) totaled \$296,326. Other income came from the sale of pamphlets and other literature.

Several years ago the Attorney General of California described the Birch Society as "a collection of wealthy business men, retired military officers and little old ladies in tennis shoes."

The society's roster of its 27 council members lists several business men and military officers but no women. Mr. Welch, now 63, has been described recently as the society's elder statesman. His name did not appear on the recent newspaper advertisements, which listed instead a five-member executive committee—William J. Grede, a Milwaukee industrialist and former NAM president; A. C. Heinsohn jr., a Tennessee industrialist; Fred C. Koch, a Kansas oil company executive; Clarence E. Manion, former dean of the Notre Dame University Law School, and R. W. Stoddard, a Worcester, Mass., businessman.

Mr. Welch still travels widely and continues to write the society's monthly bulletin. He returned to Belmont late last week to get to work on the next bulletin and to attend the annual Christmas party at the society's office.

Someone who was there said the office staff exchanged small gifts. There were refreshments and a decorated Christmas tree. It was described as a Christmas party such as any organization might have.



*John Birch in paint and Robert Welch in person:
after the assassination, a recruiting drive.*

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Drew Pearson

If you check on those John Birch members who took the full-page ads in the New York Times and the Washington Post regarding the plot to assassinate President Kennedy, you will find some interesting background. The ad placers sound like a roll call of disgruntled tycoons.

When Kennedy was alive, they accused him of con-
sorting with communism. After he died, they claimed in the ad that he was a martyr to communism. Actually they used his death as a gimmick to recruit new John Birch members.

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BIRCH GROUP LISTS \$2 MILLION OUTLAY

Welch Gives 1963 Figure—
Kennedy 'Glorification' Hit

By JOHN H. FENTON

Special to The New York Times

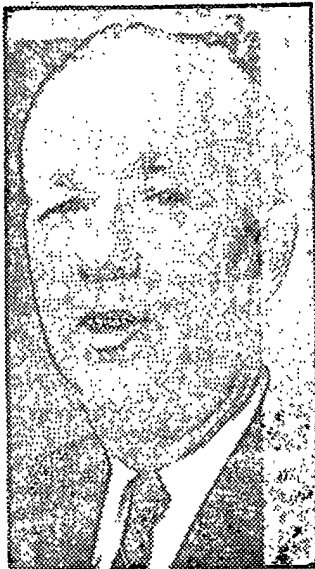
BOSTON, Dec. 24—The John Birch Society has told its members that it is spending \$2 million a year to save the country from Communism.

But the "glorification" of President Kennedy since his assassination has temporarily made criticism identifying his Administration with Communism "completely unthinkable," according to Robert H. W. Welch Jr., founder of the society.

Mr. Welch's views were stated in the December issue of the Bulletin, a monthly publication for members, which arrived here today.

Mr. Welch's Bulletin message, copyrighted by the society, reiterated the assertion that President Kennedy had been assassinated by a Communist, acting under orders. Communist tactics regarding the assassination, the message said, have been to shift the blame to extreme right-wing organizations. The Birch Society is considered one of these.

While avoiding any allegation



Associated Press

WRITES ON KENNEDY:
Robert H. W. Welch Jr., founder of the John Birch Society, who published a pamphlet on the assassination of President Kennedy.

of a personal connection between President Kennedy and the Communist party, the Bulletin made several references to what it called the softness of his Administration toward Communism.

Mr. Welch noted that the

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Birch Society was five years old this month. He said that when he founded the organization in 1958 the nation's chance of surviving the menace of Communism was about one in 100. Today, he said, it was about one in four.

At the founding meeting, Mr. Welch said, he had expressed hope of raising \$1 million in 1959. Actually, he went on, "we raised about \$200,000 and trimmed the suit of recruiting and activities to that cloth." He continued:

"Five years later, at the end of 1963, we are running at the level of expenses of approximately \$2 million a year. We are pouring printed materials of the very best quality for the purpose out of here, at the average rate of \$20,000 worth in retail value every week, and getting it sold and read."

Folded inside each copy of the current Bulletin was a block of narrow stickers bearing the legend "Communism killed Kennedy." It was suggested that these be applied to letters "and everywhere else that is proper."

A second enclosure was a reprint of a full-page newspaper advertisement that first appeared in The New York Times of Sunday, Dec. 15. The Bulletin noted that the society had been required to include the names of the executive committee members below the name of the society "in order to satisfy their [The Times's] acceptability committee."

Mr. Welch said he believed

that the assassination had been plotted by one or more Communists high in the hierarchy of the party in the United States.

He said he was sure that it took the Communist leaders in Moscow "as much by surprise as it did us."

He commented, "It must be sadly noted and frankly stated that the conspiracy would not expect to suffer any by the substitution of Johnson for Kennedy. And this does not have to be the positive fault of either man."

Mr. Welch went on:

"The Communist influences within the upper echelons of our Government today are visibly so powerful that in my opinion not even a [Robert A.] Taft in the White House could control them, unless and until enough of the American people are awakened to the real meaning of so many actions and events."

Discussing the mood of the country following the assassination, Mr. Welch wrote:

"In the course of the awakening of America, which was being brought about by the total efforts of many groups, including ourselves, there was a rapidly rising identification of the policies of the Kennedy Administration with the plans of the Communists. There was even an increasing awareness of the fact that steps and measures of the Administration, which were specifically presented to the American people as means of fighting Communism,

were in fact helping the Communists and had been cunningly designed by somebody behind the scenes for that purpose."

"But with the President converted into a martyr by the bullet of an assassin, and the process of his glorification started immediately," Mr.

Welch continued, "pointing any finger at the parallel between what his Administration had been doing and what Moscow wanted was to be made completely unthinkable. The more overwhelming the eulogizing of the late President became, the more all stops were pulled in painting him as the greatest hero of our times, the more futile it would become for any critic—and the more disastrous to the critic—to start reminding people of how happy Moscow and all of our domestic Comsymps [Birch shorthand for Communist sympathizers] have been with the general progress of their plans, and the increased prestige of their agents and allies, under the Kennedy regime. And it was entirely possible, of course, that these plotters themselves would be in position to add their voices and their influence to the swelling chorus of praise."

"Parallel to, and greatly aided by, this near deification of the late President, and by the smothering of criticism of his Administration, there was to be a more positive gain for Communist-favored policies which had been advanced by it. For now even the most honest and restrained opposition to these poli-

cies or measures could be construed somehow as 'personal' criticism of so beloved a former President himself. Just how soundly based was this expectation can be seen by the now freely expressed hope in liberal circles that President Kennedy's martyrdom would make it easier to pass his "civil rights" legislation. Which it may. And the passage of that legislation would most certainly bring on greatly increased rioting, turmoil, civil strife and racial bitterness in the South which the Communists so ardently desire."

Mr. Welch continued:

"Few people realize how important and how necessary to the Communist is the breakdown of all morality, nor the extensiveness and variety of their efforts to sap the spiritual strength of our people. And a respect of the truth is the very foundation stone of the morality which they wish to destroy. But the torrent of incredible exaggerations and blatant falsehoods, about the accomplishments and saintliness of our late President, and the glories of his Administration, have gone so far beyond the needs of respect for his office and of grief for his loss, as to make reverence for the truth appear as a hoax on the feeble-minded. Even more important, it is obvious that the very people spreading the most blatant and extreme falsehoods are gaining prestige and other rewards for doing so."

U.S. is on its way out. Communist (Anti-Christ) Tyranny is on its way in. A POLICE STATE IS gradually closing in on us FROM WITHIN. We are being trapped identically the same way Slovakia was trapped FROM WITHIN by LEFT WING POLITICIANS who were elected by people who don't know a thing about politics and by Commies.

At least 75% of our Senators and Congressmen are LEFT WINGERS (pro-Communist) according to their vote records in Congress. We have not had an anti-Communist in the White House in over 30 years. Communists have taken over 95% of the "Democrat" party since 1932--except in a few Southern States and at least 40% of the "Republican" party thus far. Commies control over 95% of the "free" press, radio and TV that is how you have been kept in the dark. Also 99% of the Labor Union Bosses are Red Agents (Walter Reuther). These Union Bosses are not interested in the workers except to get them to the polls to vote for Left Wingers who are selling USA down the river by passing legislation to do the trick and at the same time chip ping away at our Constitution and our Bill of Right making them UNLAWFUL, the Constitution that made USA the greatest country in the world. Unfortunately the average voter knows nothing about RED strategy;--except the Conservatives;--therefore, voters are unable to recognize Left Wing Political Candidates and so they vote for them because their Red Union bosses told them to do so and the controlled "free" press made "Gods" out of them.

The Red Revolution is here. The Negro is being used--a PAWN in the game--as the front line shock troop to take the bloodbath for the native Reds, under the guise of fighting for so-called "Civil Rights" the White Slave bill. IF..they succeed in wiping out the white Christians, the Negro will then become the STARVING SLAVE under the Red Heel of Moscow Home-Base forever after as his REWARD. The Negro will realize that the Bona Fide..White Christian was his best friend--only after it is forever too late.....

Most experts believe that "Communism" is an anti-Gentile Conspiracy--that Krushchev, Mao, Betencourt Kadar, Ben Bella, Castro et.al. are mere puppets so as not to arouse the suspicions of the masses before world conquest is completed. After that, Krushchev, Castro, Mao, et.al. including their tools JFK and their agitators Martin Luther King, Roy Wilkins, ect., will all be liquidated according to the Blueprint, and replaced by their REAL BOSSES, the International Bankers: Rothschild, Morgenthau, Warburg, Baruch, Lehman, Dillon (Lapowsky) ect. Research shows that these are THE REAL LORDS AND MASTERS OF WORLD COMMUNISM, make no mistake about it. (See Invisible Gov't, by M.C. Fagan, Box 46205 Cole Branch, Hollywood 46, Calif. \$1.50) (or see Secret Gov't of U.S., by M. Davidson, 530 Chestnut st. Union, N.J. \$1.)

HOW TO RECOGNIZE RED AGENTS: Communist agents always deny they are Reds, they even take pot-shots at Krushchev but never, at Leftist politicians. 1. They refer to themselves as "LIBERALS" or "PROGRESSIVES" but they are neither progressive nor liberals except with Communism. 2. They are past masters at mud-slinging and slander. Their main targets are all the fine anti-Communist organizations and leaders such as the Birch Society, Minutemen. 3. But here are their most glaring identification marks: In their hysteria they slander all anti-Communists with such names as: "The Radical Right", "Right Wing Extremists", "Ultra Conservatives", "Birchites", "Super Patriots", "Anti-Semites", "Fascists", "Nazis", "Neo Nazis", "Fright Peddlers", "Hate Mongers". Yet they know that the Right Wing is 100% anti-Radical. 4. They so ardently scream for disarmament when they really mean surrender to Communism. 5. Out of hate for God and humanity they are HELL bent on mongrelizing the human race. Their best helpers are apostate clergymen.

THERE IS A BILL now pending in Congress to disarm the civilians before the Iron Curtain falls so that we will be unable to overthrow our Communist Masters later. The Red Agents and Left Wing politicians are all for it under the guise of disarming criminals, while they know that no criminal would ever register his ammunition. (Write your Congressman to defeat it.)

We urge everyone to get on his knees daily and pray to high heaven for guidance, but but prayer without action is dead, therefore, lose no time but join a good anti-Communist organization. The John Birch Society is one of the finest.

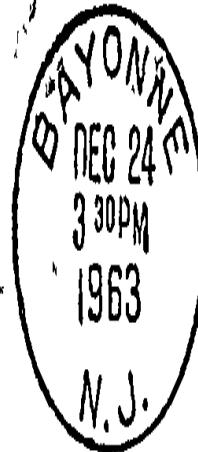
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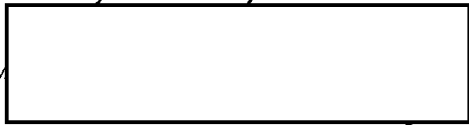
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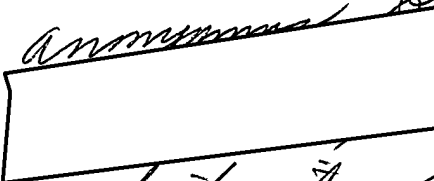
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11th A. D. Club, Harlem Region, C. P.

The 11th A. D. Club of the Harlem Region of the Communist Party, held a meeting on Friday evening Dec 20, 1963 at 9:00 p.m at the residence of [redacted] New York City.

The following members were present, [redacted]
[redacted] and [redacted]
[redacted] was acting chairman. Points on the agenda were as follows.

(1) [redacted] (treas.) called for dues and Fund Drive money. All members paid dues. [redacted] and [redacted] paid \$5.00 each toward Fund Drive. [redacted] & [redacted] [redacted] paid \$2.00 each toward Fund Drive.

[redacted] called for a discussion on the recent Supreme Court decision, ruling against the government in the case of the Communist Party members held under the Mc Carran Act.

[redacted] stated that this decision gives the Communist Party of the U.S.A. a brighter outlook and has open up channels whereas the C.P. can strengthen itself, and go into broader activities. [redacted] stated that the U. S. gov't has failed to prove that the Communist [redacted] of the U.S.A. is an agent of the Soviet Union, and thereby is not liable to the Mc Carran Act, which calls for registering, and prosecuting under the Smith Act. This gives the Communist Party, U.S.A. a brighter future.

(2) [redacted] then called for a discussion of the demonstration of the African Students in Moscow, and stated that has not been proven that the alleged student that was found dead, did not meet with foul play. [redacted] stated that an

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autopsy was performed by Soviet & Ghanian medical authorities and found that he froze to death after being drunk, but the U. S. press tried to play this up as foul play, this is all U. S. propaganda to show that the Soviet has a race problem, also, but we must not be misled by these tactics of the capitalist class. [redacted] stated that [redacted] could have been involved in this incident, because photographs of this demonstration were immediately available, thus indicating that U. S. intelligence was on the job in Moscow.

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(3) [redacted] asked members of the club, that did they see the full page advertisement in the New York Times on Sunday Dec 15, 1963 under the caption of the John Birch Society. [redacted] stated that this adv. indicate that the John Birch Society is trying to sell to the U. S. public that LEE OSWALD, the man that assassinated J.F.K. was a communist, and a member of the Communist Party. That the John Birch Society is trying to disrupt the peaceful co-existence of the U.S.S.R. and the U.S.A. which J.F.K. promoted so friendly between the nations. [redacted] stated that this attempt of the John Birch society to disrupt unity shall fail, because the people of the U. S. and the world knows that LEE OSWALD was not a communist.

The time being 11:15 p_m_ the meeting was adjourned_

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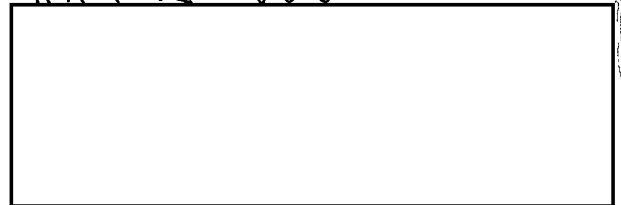
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201 East 69th Street
New York, New York 10021
January 8, 1964

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Dear [Redacted]

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of
January 2, 1964, and enclosures.

Your interest in furnishing this material to us
is indeed appreciated.

Very truly yours,

[Handwritten signature]

JOHN F. MALONE
Assistant Director in Charge

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THE TIME HAS COME

The President of the United States has been murdered by
a Marxist-Communist within the United States.

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NY The Rockland County

EDITION Journal News

DATE 1-13-64

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It has been pointed out by the Hon. Martin Dies, since the assassination, that "Lee Harvey Oswald was a Communist," and that when a Communist commits murder he is acting under orders. The former Congressman, head of the original Dies Committee, is probably second only to J. Edgar Hoover in first-hand knowledge acquired from early and long experience in investigating Communist activities.

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The Hon. J. Edgar Hoover said in a speech on October 18, 1960: "We are at war with the Communists, and the sooner each red-blooded American realizes that the better and safer we will be." He emphatically repeated this statement on December 3, 1963 — ten days after the assassination. And this is none the less war because the Communists conduct it according to their usual methods, without regard to civilized rules or human decency.

Nor is it in character for the Communists to rest on this success. Instead, we can expect them to use the shock, grief, and confusion of the American people, resulting from the assassination of our President, as an opportunity for pushing their own plans faster. Also, we shall be subjected to an ever greater barrage of distortions and falsehoods, aimed at imposing on the nation a completely false picture of the situation and of the forces at work. They have to subvert our minds as well as our institutions.

For five years The John Birch Society has said that, regardless of the external threat, Communism was a serious in-

ternal menace in the United States. And we were right. This has now been proved, tragically but conclusively, to the deep sorrow, but also to the profound alarm, of all good Americans. The time has come for those good Americans to join us in this fight against the powerfully organized "masters of deceit." For, as Edmund Burke once wrote: "When bad men combine, the good must associate; else they will fall one by one, an unpitied sacrifice in a contemptible struggle."

The John Birch Society is an educational army, and our only weapon is the truth. But George Washington stated our problem well: "Truth will ultimately prevail where there is pains taken to bring it to light." We take tremendous pains in proportion to our numbers and our strength, and all we need to win is that enough other patriots join us in our determination and our labors. For there is nothing the Communists fear so much in the whole world today as having the American people learn, too soon, the truth about their purposes, their methods, and their progress.

If you oppose the Communist conspiracy by learning and spreading the truth, you may expect to be smeared as viciously as we have been for five years. But you will be helping to save your family and your country from the same cruel tyranny that has already been imposed on a billion human beings.

The time has come for every red-blooded American to react as such. If you have the willingness to learn and the courage to support the disturbing truth, use the coupon below. It will be without any obligation on your part, and we shall not contact you further unless or until you request us to do so.

THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY

Belmont, Massachusetts 02178

Executive Committee: Wm. J. Grede, A. G. Heinsohn, Jr., Fred C. Koch, Clarence E. Manion, R. W. Stoddard.

Please Note

If you agree with this statement, and are willing to help us put this message in as many newspapers as possible across our country, send us your contribution *now*. Make your check out to *Special Advertising Fund*, and mail it directly to:

THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
Belmont, Massachusetts 02178

(Check the box that applies.)

The John Birch Society
Belmont, Massachusetts 02178

Gentlemen:

☐ Please send me, without cost or obligation on my part, a sheet of preliminary information about the Society.

☐ For the enclosed one dollar, please send me your Introductory Packet of THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY.

☐ For the enclosed five dollars please send me your Special Packet, containing the basic materials from which I can obtain a thorough understanding of what The John Birch Society is, how it works, and what it hopes to do.

Sincerely,

(Name)

(Address)

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John Birch Society, 110 West Clarkstown Road, New City, N. Y.



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New York, New York
February 7, 1964

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Re: Citizens Committee For
Constitutional Liberties
Internal Security - C;
Internal Security Act - 1950
(Labelling Provision)

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on December 19, 1963, that [redacted] was considering the publication of an ad in "The New York Times" in the name of the Citizens Committee For Constitutional Liberties (CCFCL), to counteract a full page ad in that paper by the John Birch Society. (U)

The Birch Society ad which appeared in "The New York Times" issue of December 15, 1963, attributed the assassination of President John F. Kennedy to a Marxist-Leninist and was critical of Communism. The ad also invited readers to send for information about the society.

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[redacted] was present at specific Communist Party (CP) activities, such as the National Convention of the CP, USA in 1959; the reconvened New York State CP Convention in 1960; a meeting of the New York State Committee in 1961; and a meeting of the New York County Coordinating Committee Members in February, 1962.

[redacted] a member of the CP from 1946 to 1949 and from September, 1955 until September, 1962.

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Internal Security Act - 1950
(Labelling Provision)

"The New York Times" Issue of February 6, 1954, page nineteen, contained a large advertisement by the CCFCL. This advertisement urged the President to stop enforcement of the McCarran Act and asked that contributions be sent to the CCFCL which is described as being "dedicated to an Educational and Action campaign against the repressive McCarran Act."

A characterization of the CCFCL is attached.

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Re: CCECL

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APPENDIX

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CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR
CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties:

"CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR CONSTITUTIONAL
LIBERTIES (NEW YORK CITY)

"1. 'On the basis of its investigations and hearings to date, the committee concludes that the National Assembly for Democratic Rights and a coordinating and organizing group in support thereof, titled the "Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties," are Communist fronts. Created, dominated, and controlled by members and officials of the Communist Party, the National Assembly for Democratic Rights and the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties were organized as propaganda devices for the conduct of "mass activity" in support of the avowed objective of "reversal or nonapplication" of the Supreme Court decisions of June 5, 1961, which upheld the constitutionality of the registration and disclosure provisions of the Internal Security Act of 1950 as applied to the Communist Party, and the Smith Act membership clause making punishable active and purposive membership in the Communist Party.'

'* * * The long-range objective of the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties is to serve as the vehicle for concealed Communist participation in, and direction of, propaganda and agitational activities aimed to nullify the Internal Security and Smith Acts.'

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CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR
CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES

* * * Committee investigation disclosed that the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties was formed on or about June 12, 1961. * * * (Committee on Un-American Activities, Report and Hearings on Manipulation of Public Opinion by Organizations Under Concealed Control of the Communist Party (National Assembly for Democratic Rights and Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties), House Report 1282, Part 1, October 2 and 3, 1961, pp. 137, 143 and 144.)"

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-434017)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-145082)

SUBJECT: CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES
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Enclosed are five copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM), advising of a CCECL ad in "The New York Times" on 2/5/84. The source mentioned is [redacted] (U)

The attached LHM has been classified "Confidential" because it contains information from [redacted] the unauthorized disclosure of which would seriously impair the investigation of the CPUSA and such impairment could have an adverse effect upon the defense interests of the United States. (S)

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The John Birch View Of the Assassination

A Birch Society publication says in its current issue that President Kennedy was assassinated because he had outlived his usefulness to the Communist conspiracy.

The suggestion is made in an article in American Opinion written by a University of Illinois professor of the classics, Revilo P. Oliver.

The article contends that President Kennedy did much for the Communist conspiracy but was falling behind a scheduled 1963 date for the "effective capture of the United States."

Oliver charges that Kennedy arranged to subvert and sabotage American defenses but was "rapidly becoming a political liability." His article suggests that the assassination was arranged

to prepare for a "domestic takeover."

The quick capture of Lee Har-

vey Oswald frustrated this scheme, he said.

Oliver, a member of the Birch society's national commission, said President Kennedy's "memory will be cherished with distaste" by Americans.

Robert W. Welch Jr., founder of the society, described the Oliver article as "superb commentary."

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KENNEDY TARGET OF BIRCH WRITER

Article Says He Was Killed
for Fumbling Red Plot

By PETER KIHSS

The current issue of the John Birch Society publication says that as long as there are Americans, President Kennedy's "memory will be cherished with distaste."

A 16-page article also suggests the President's murder was arranged by "the Communist conspiracy" to prepare for "a domestic take-over" that was frustrated when the Dallas police caught and identified Lee Harvey Oswald, the alleged assassin.

The article was described as "superb commentary" by Robert H. Welch Jr., the ultra-rightist group's founder and editor of the monthly publication, American Opinion. The article appears under the signature of Revilo P. Oliver, professor of classics at the University of Illinois and member of the Birch Society's national commission.

President Kennedy, Professor Oliver writes, "procured his election by peddling boob-bait to the suckers." He says the President supported the Central Intelligence Agency in "a fake invasion of Cuba designed to strengthen our mortal enemies there," and collaborated with Soviet Premier Khrushchev in a "phony embargo" to provide a cover for transfer of Soviet troops and weapons to Cuba to use against the United States.

Further, Professor Oliver contends, President Kennedy arranged to subvert and sabotage the nation's defenses. He adds: "And if the international vermin succeed in completing their occupation of our country, Americans will remember Ken-

nedy while they live, and will curse him as they face the firing squads or toil in a brutish degradation that leaves no hope for anything but a speedy death."

Professor Oliver says Oswald was trained in a "school for international criminals" in the Soviet Union, and brought back here "in open violation of American law, by our Communist-dominated State Department."

He offers an unconfirmed story that Oswald was arrested as a suspect in the attempted shooting of former Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker but was assertedly "released through the personal intervention of Robert

F. Kennedy," the Attorney General.

President Kennedy, Professor Oliver's article contends, did much for "the Communist conspiracy," but was falling behind a scheduled date for the "effective capture of the United States" in 1963, and was "rapidly becoming a political liability."

To bolster a theory for a suggested "take-over" after the President's death, Professor Oliver cites immediate outcries against "right-wing extremists," and says preparations seem to have been made for "rioting and murder throughout the country."

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-144597)

DATE: 2/28/64

FROM : SA [REDACTED] 412

SUBJECT: JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 2/28/64, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] made available to SA [REDACTED]

the below listed names of individuals, from the New York area, whom he stated were members of the John Birch Society as of 11/15/63. [REDACTED] stated that under no circumstances should this information be furnished to any agency outside the FBI nor should his identity as the source of this information be ever divulged. [REDACTED] further requested that the NYO make use of this information for intelligence purposes only.

[REDACTED] address unknown.

[REDACTED] the John Birch Society, address unknown.

[REDACTED] the John Birch Society, address unknown.

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[REDACTED] NYC, tel. #

[REDACTED] John Birch Society.

[REDACTED] tel. #

Member: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the John Birch Society. Address unknown.

[REDACTED] John Birch Society. Address unknown

[REDACTED] tel. #

[REDACTED] Employed by [REDACTED]

NYC.

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[REDACTED] tel. #

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Society. [redacted]

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Society. Address unknown.

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[redacted] NYC. [redacted]
[redacted] M, W, 30-35 yrs., 5'9", stocky, light
comp, dirty blonde hair, Hungarian accent, naturalized US citizen.

[redacted] NYC. Tel. #'s [redacted]

[redacted] NY ll. Tel. # [redacted]

[redacted]
John Birch Society.

MERWIN K. HART (deceased), National Economic Council,
Empire State Bldg. NY 1, NY.

[redacted] Maiden name believed to be [redacted]

[redacted] Residence: [redacted] NYC, tel# [redacted] and business:

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Tel. # [redacted]

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[redacted] NYC tel# [redacted] Now residing [redacted]
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[redacted] 30-35 yrs, 5'7", dark comp., black hair,
possibly of Armenian extraction. Address unknown.

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[redacted] John Birch Society.
Address unknown.

[redacted] (PH) same as preceding. Address unknown.

[redacted] member [redacted]
[redacted] Address unknown.

[redacted] NY 11, NY, tel. [redacted]

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[redacted] NYC. Probably member
of John Birch Society.

[redacted] John Birch Society.

[redacted] NYC, tel# [redacted]

[redacted] (PH), [redacted] NYC, former res: [redacted]
NYC. M.W., 25-30 yrs., medium build, dark comp., 5'7", wears glasses,
apparently Jewish.

OR [redacted] NY 12. Tel.

[redacted] John Birch Society. (JBS)
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[redacted] Further stated that the above individuals on whom there is no address listed do not necessarily reside in the NYC area.

[redacted] further stated that there is a chapter of the John Birch Society on Staten Island, NY but he has no information concerning it.

8 March 1964

Office of the
Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

There seems to be so many rumors flying round, which causes me to desire the following information: Is the John Birch Society on a subversive or any other anti-American listing, or considered a danger to the USA?

Is there anything official or authoratative that would label an anti-communist as un-American simply for their membership in the Birch society.

Over the past five or six years I have received literature from many organizations of the anti-communist vintage. It is a bit difficult to know with what ones one could best place his support. Is there such a thing as an approved listing?

I took the Worker for several years when we were attempting to get a study group going here, anti-socialist and anti-communist that is. It may be that I will take the thing again, if time permits watching it close enough not to be a wast of money for information. *(also the Socialist Labor Party Paper, which is cause a't see much if any difference in)*

Thanking you in advance for any information you may furnish, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

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Dear [redacted]

Your letter of March 8th has been received.

With respect to your inquiries, the FBI being an investigative agency of the Federal Government neither makes evaluations nor draws conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. In addition, information contained in our files must be maintained as confidential in accordance with the regulations of the Department of Justice and is available for official use only. Therefore, I trust you will understand why I am not in a position to comment along the lines you have suggested.

This Bureau does not have a list such as you mentioned available for distribution. I am, however, enclosing a copy of the list of organizations which have been designated as subversive by the Department of Justice pursuant to Executive Order 10450, along with other material I hope will be of interest. I also wish to secure a copy of "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities. In it are listed various periodicals which have been cited by various state and federal agencies, and a copy of it can be purchased for \$1.00 from the Superintendent of Documents, United States Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. 20402.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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ATTENTION SACs: New York letter to me dated 1-18-61 informed
Oklahoma City of the subscription to "The Worker" by one [REDACTED]
of [REDACTED] who is apparently identical with the correspondent.
Oklahoma City investigation developed data indicating that [REDACTED] was
a member of a group called, [REDACTED] which reportedly had
been formed by [REDACTED]
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